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THIS DAY FRIDAY the 16th Inst. at 2 p.m. Messrs CRAWFORD and Co. are instructed to sell by Public Auction at the corner of Church Gate Street, Fort the following fancy goods such fancy glassware, platedware magolica and lenacotta ware Bamboo furniture clocks, lamps, rolled gold Jewellery, binoculars, etc.

The above is now on view.

Offers for the undermentioned salvage will be received upto Saturday the 17th inst and not upto Thursday the 22nd inst as announced in the previous advertisements.

SALE OF MACHINERY AND ACCESSORIES OF THE CITY OF BOMBAY MILL, DAMAGED BY FIRE AND WATER.

By order of the committee of Adjustment of the above Mill Fire-Loss, private offers for the purchase of the Salvage of the undermentioned machinery, viz:—

114 roller cards
19 flat cards
26 mules
23 drawing frames
12 slubbing frames.
19 intermediate frames
42 rowing frames
34 ring frames
3 winding frames
2 doubling frames
75 reels
7 bundling presses

with accessories, shafting, gearing, pedestals pulleys, &c., &c.

Also about 252 cast iron columns, will be received by the undersigned up to SATURDAY, the 17th inst. The committee does not bind itself to accept the highest or any other offer.

For further particulars as to weights &c, and conditions of sale apply to the undersigned.

On SUNDAY, the 18th instant, at 1 p m., Messrs CRAWFORD & Co are instructed to sell by Public Auction at Cumballa Hill, next to Messrs Kemp & Co.'s establishment, the valuable and handsome blackwood and teakwood household furniture, also several pieces by Wimbridge such as mahogany telescopic, dining table mirror, back sideboard, rich glassware, old real porcelain ware, platedware drawing room suit of sofas, and chairs lined velvet and silk tapestry, ottoman marbletop tables and teapoys, chiffoniers and cabinet lamps Brussels carpet brass double bedstead teak bedstead made to order single and double almyrahs, library book case, dressing and wash hand tables oil painting on porcelain "butterfly." oil paintings and engravings Parien figures pair of gilt piers glasses from the Paris Exhibitions, sewing machine nearly new, ebonized grand cottage piano by Soundy, English made single and double harness gas lamps, English and French clocks striking quarter and half hours, valuable library of set of Sir John Lubbock's Hundred Books, set of Bombay Gazetteer set of Chamber's Encyclopadia, old chinaware, English built rubber tyred mailphaeton by morgan, roses and other garden pots &c., the property of J. M. Framji Patel Esq and a Parsee Doctor.

Catalogues are published and the property is on view.

WEEKLY AUCTION SALE.

On MONDAY, the 19th instant, at 2 p.m., Messrs. CRAWFORD & Co., will sell by Public Auction at their Rooms, a quantity of grey, white and coloured piece-goods and the following:—

Furniture such as cupboards, chairs, tables, writing dressing, and wash-hand tables, book and hat stands, &c.

By order of the Administrator-General the effects of the late Canjee Bhimjee, consisting of mirror door cupboard, cupboard in 2 pieces, boxes, tin trunks, chairs, safe, wearing apparel, copper brass, and German silver utensils, &c.

Also the effects of the late Nasar Munjee, consisting of cupboard, chairs, clock, scale, wearing apparel, &c.

AT 2 P.M.

Several second-hand ladies' and gents, bicycles by different makers.

1 light rubber-tyred victoria.
1 French-polished office shigram.
1 glass-fronted double-seated brougham.
1 second hand light dogcart.

And any other carriages and horses which may be offered.

BONA-FIDE SALE.

On TUESDAY, the 20th Instant, at 2 p. m., Messrs. CRAWFORD & Co., are instructed to sell by Public Auction at Green Villa at the foot of Kennedy Bridge, leading to Gowalia Tank Road next to Mr. N. M Petit's Bungalow, the property of a Parsee Gentleman, proceeding to Calcutta, consisting of valuable and neat household furniture made to order after the English design by Davjee Canjee, such as mirror back cabinets, chiffoniers and corner cabinets and brackets, hall sofas, ottomoo, chairs, double almyra, vase lamps, real Chubb's iron safe 24 by 18 by 18 inches on stand, brass five light Hinks' revolving and sliding lamp, open faced gold watch by James McCabe, Royal Exchange, London, specially brought from England, etc.

Catalogues are published and the property is on view.

SALE OF VALUABLE LANDED PROPERTY ON DELISLE ROAD, NEAR CHINCHPOOGLY,

On FRIDAY, the 23rd instant, at 4 p.m., Messrs. CRAWFORD & Co. Will sell by Public Auction on the premises by order of the mortgagees and on account and at the risk of the mortgagor, Lalji Dewsy and Govindji Lalji, in pursuance of the power of sale given in the Indenture of mortgage, dated the 29th day of August, 1897, the following landed property viz:—

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For further particulars and conditions of sale application may be made to Messrs. Kanga and Patell, attorneys to the mortgagees at their office in Century Buildings, Hornby Road, Fort, or to the Undersigned.

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Bombay, 15th December, 1904.

MENESSE AND COMPANY,
No. 35, HUMMUM STREET.

AUCTION SALE OF BILLIARD TABLE BY JOHN ROBERTS AND Co AND FURNITURE DAMAGED BY FIRE.

This Day, FRIDAY, the 16th inst at 3 P. M. Messrs MENESSE and Co are instructed to sell by Public Auction at Waudby Road, Esplanade on the spot where the fire lately occurred on account of the concerned—

A billiard table and some furniture damaged by fire.

MENESSE & Co.

Bombay, 14th December, 1904.

BENNETT AND COMPANY.
No. 22, APOLLO STREET.

TO-MORROW SATURDAY, the 17th instant, at 3 P.M. Messrs BENNET & Co. will sell by Public Auction, at their Rooms, a quantity of grey and coloured piece goods, &c.

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THE steamer Terrier, 1008 tons, Captain H Wilson arrived in harbour yesterday from Bangkok 28th November with a cargo of timber.

THE steamer Auchencrag, 2543 tons, Captain M B Reed arrived in harbour on Wednesday evening from Calcutta 3rd December with a cargo of coal.

THE B I S N Co's steamer Henzada, 1340 tons, Captain J Maclean arrived in harbour yesterday from Bushire 30th November via Karachi with a general cargo, 111 cases opium and 200 deck passengers.

THE B I S N Co's steamer Lhassa, 941 tons, Captain W H Rothwell arrived in harbour yesterday from Karachi 13th December via Cutch Mandvi with a general cargo and Mr and Mrs Brice, Mr Fletcher and 508 deck passengers.

ARRIVALS.

Dec.	Vessel	Commander	From
14	Auchencrag s	Reed	Calcutta Dec 3
15	Terrier s	Wilson	Bangkok Nov 28
15	Lhassa s	Rothwell	Karachi Dec 13
	Henzada s	Maclean	Bushire, Nov 30

DEPARTURES.

Dec.	Vessel	Commander	Destination
15	Clan Mackay s	Higgins	Madras
15	Kapurthala s	Watson	Persian Gulf &c
15	Scindia s	Kedsie	Calcutta &c
15	D Balduino s	Lancps	Genoa &c
	Assaye (Transport)	Dowell	Southampton

The steamer Kinley, Captain Parker, obtained her port clearance yesterday for Calcutta.

The following vessels entered for loading yesterday:—
Steamer Madura, for Persian Gulf
„ Wardha, for Calcutta, &c

[REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.]

STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

The B I S N Co's steamer Goorkha left Suez on the morning of the 13th instant.

The Austrian Lloyd's s s Imperatrix, from Trieste, left Aden on the night of the 14th instant and is due here on the 20th at daybreak.

The same Co's s s Franz Ferdinand, left Trieste on the 12th instant and may be expected here on or about the 1st January 1905

The same Co's s s Trieste, from Bombay arrived at Aden on the afternoon of the 14th instant.

ADEN, DEC. 14.

The P and O Co's s s Marmora with the homeward Mails of the 10th instant arrived here at 6-30 p m to-day.

SUEZ, DEC. 15.

The P and O Co's s s Arabia with the outward Mails of the 9th instant left here at 4-30 a m to-day.

MADRAS.

ARRIVALS.

Nov.	Vessel.	From
30	Zinnia	Calcutta
Dec		
6	Clan Maclachlan	Liverpool
9	Clan Gordon	Galle
10	Den of Airlie	London
13	Taroba	Rangoon
13	Werdenfels	Middlesbro

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Hounds will meet on the following dates :—

1904.
Dec. 18th Parla | Dec. 26th, Sabar Hill. (Monday.
„ 22nd, Cross Road. | „ 29th, Santa Cruz.

1905.
Jan. 1st, Sabar Village. | Jan. 8th, Sabar Hill.
„ 5th, Jackal Club. | „ 12th, Cross Roads.

Members travelling to Santa Cruz by train are requested to proceed to the Meet with as little delay as possible.

J. H. SYMINGTON.
Ag. Honorary Secretary.

BOMBAY LIGHT HORSE.

SQUADRON ORDERS, BY MAJOR, T. W. CUFFE A. D. C. COMMANDING Bo. L. H.

Bombay, December 16.

1 The squadron will Parade on Tuesday morning next, the 20th instant on the Sands at Church Gate Station at 7 a m sharp.

Dress—Review Order—Khaki

By Order,
F. A. REDDIE, Lieut,
Acting Adjt. B. L. H.

BOMBAY VOLUNTEER ARTILLERY.

REGIMENTAL ORDERS, BY LT.-COL. LOUIS P. RUSSELL, COMMANDING B. V. A.

Bombay, December 14.

1 Leave of absence for 6 months from the 18th instant has been granted to Gr G E Brown of No 3 Company B. V. A.

By Order
A. STIFFE, Capt. R. A.
Adjt. B. V. A.

BOMBAY VOLUNTEER RIFLES.

REGIMENTAL ORDERS BY LIEUT-COL. F. FERRERS NICHOLSON, V. D. COMMANDING.

Bombay, December 16.

1 The Range at Ghat Cooper will be available for Class Firing on the 17th and 18th instant.

2 The 113th Bombay Infantry Rifle Range at Santa Cruz will be available daily for Class Firing until further orders. The Commanding Officer trusts that members will take advantage of this and that Section Commanders will get their Sections out to the Range so that their Sections may complete their Class Firing as soon as possible and the Range may be reserved for practice for the Rifle meeting.

By Order,
G. D. PRICE, Captain.
Adjutant. B. V. R.

BOMBAY 2ND EXTRA MEETING.

SATURDAY, 17TH DECEMBER.

HORSE STRUCK OUT.

The Winter Plate Stakes.—Sundowner and Carline.
The Arab Plate.—Smasher and Bristo.
The Little Maiden Plate.—Huddal and Evermore.
The Small Arab Plate.—Ferdosi and Sobig.
The Loser's Plate.—Jan Alum, Orange, Kussa, Bhayajee, Short Price ; Gendorme, and Chiragh.
Selling Race.—Mitre, Syndicate, Bukhtawar.

CECIL GRAY,
Secretary W I T. C.

THE CITY MORTALITY.

The Municipal Office returns for the twenty-four hours ending at 6 a.m., yesterday, give the following results:—

Wards.	Plague Attack.	Plague Deaths.	Deaths from all Causes
A Upper, Middle and Lower Colaba, Fort Northern Fort Southern and Esplanade	1	1	8
B Mandvi, Chuckla, Umarkhadi and Dongri	5	4	22
C Market, Dhobi Talao, Fanaswady, Bhuleshwar, Khara Talao and Kumbharwada	3	3	19
D Khetwady, Girgaum, Chowpatty, Walkeshwar and Mahalakshmi	2	1	9
E Mazagon, Tarwady, 2nd Nagpada, Kamatipura, Tardeo, Byculla, and 1st Nagpada	5	4	20
F Parel, Sewri and Sion	1	2	8
G Mahim and Worli	2	1	10
Water Division	0	0	0
Non-Resident and Unknown	0	0	0
Hospitals	0	1	5
Total	19	17	101
Total plague deaths to date	277,780	229,876	
Same date last year	11	8	79

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COMMERCIAL INTELLIGENCE

LONDON, DEC. 14.

SECURITIES—		
2 1-2 per cent. Consols	£88	= + 1-16
3 do. Rentes	£98 3-4	= unchanged
3 1-2 do. Indian Sterling Loan	£105 1-4	= do
3 1-2 per cent. Indian Enfaced Rupee Paper	£85 9-16	= — 1-16
SILVER—		
Spot in London	28	= unchanged
2 months hence	27 7-16	= — 1-16
Spot in New York	......	= ......
EXCHANGES—		
Paris cheques	25·15 1-2	= unchanged
Berlin	20·37	= — 1-4
New York Demand	......	= ....
DISCOUNTS—		
Bank of England	3 per cent	= unchanged
3 months' sight Bank Bills	2 3-4 per cent	= do
6 „ „	2 3-4 per cent	= do
3 „ Fine Trade Bills	3 per cent	= — 1-4
6 months' sight Fine Trade Bills	3 3-8 per cent	= unchanged
INTEREST—		
Day to day loans	1 5-8 per cent	= + 3-8
7 day market loans	2 per cent	= unchanged

At the Periodical biddings for Council Bills for Rs. 80,00,000

Rs. 29·30 were allotted to Calcutta
Rs. 18·30 do Bombay
Rs. 9·50 do Madras

Rs. 57·10 At 1s. 4 1-16d.

Minimum rate received 22 per cent. Average rate 16·06

Telegraphic Transfers—

Rs. 10·40 were allotted to Calcutta
Rs. 12·50 do Bombay
Rs. nil do Madras

Rs. 22·90 At 1s. 4 3-32d

Minimum rate received 22 per cent. Average rate 16·09
Total amount sold during the week Rs. 80,40,000
Amount to be allotted next week Rs. 70,00,000
Extra allotments nil

SUGAR—
German granulated 1st marks 15 9-16, N.-D., sellers dull.

RAPESEED—
Yellow Cawnpore 34 3-4, D.-J., sellers dull
Brown 32 3-8 D.-J. sellers dull

LINSEED—
Linseed Bold 34 3-8, D-J, sellers easier

COFFEE—
Coffee in New York,

TALLOW.

Finest Australian Beef	27/6
Finest Australian Mutton	30

Tone of Auction, steady.

In Liverpool—Cotton Market closed quiet. Surats dull. Manchester dull. Total sales 9,000. Spot 4·27+6. Egyptian F. G. F. Brown 7 3-4. Sold on speculation and for Export 3,000. Imports 20,000. Arrivals closed quiet.

Dec.-Jan.	Jan.-Feb.	Feb.-Mar.
4·20 +4	4·24 +4	4·28 +4
Mar.-April 4·32 +4	April.-May 4·34 +4	May-June. 4·37 +4
June-July 4·39 +4	July.-Aug. 4·41 +4	Aug.-Sept. 4·40 +4

Receipts at U S Ports	48,000
Do. last year	49,000
Exports to Great Britain	10,000
Do do Continent	28,000
In New York—	
Spot	8·15 +15
Futures, month of December	7·69 +9
Do. do. March	7·93 +8
In New Orleans—	
Spot	7 5-8
Futures, month of March	7·80
Do. do. June	7·98
Tone at close	steady.

Arrivals of Cotton, Wheat and Seeds into Bombay, for the 24 hours ending at 6 p. m., on Wednesday, 14th December, 1904 :—

Cotton	11,687 bales.
Wheat	23,941 cwts.
Linseed	13,287 „
Rape, Rai and Mustard	4,713 „
Gingellyseed	10,195 „
Poppyseed	246 „
Groundnuts	33 „
Castorseed	231 „
Rice	8,234 „
Myrabollams	1,317 „
Cottonseed	21,384 „
Mowraseed	394 „
Gram	1,587 „
Joowar	3,022 „
Maize	148 „

SKIN SALES.

Sheep skin sale closed to-day. Sheep skins sold 717,000 General tone easier.
Sheep skins Bombay, 1-2d, higher.
do Madras dull and prices par to 1d lower.

BOMBAY, DECEMBER 15.

Exchange—Tone quiet but steady.

Bank T. T.	1s 4 1-16d.
Bank Demand	1s. 4 3-32d.
Credit Bills 3 Months' Sight D. A.	1s. 4 9-32d.
Do 6 do do	1s. 4 13-32d.
French Francs 3 do do	170 3-4
Marks 3 do do	138 1-2
Hongkong 3 Days' Sight	135 1-2
Shanghai 3 do do	193
Japan 30 do do	148

GOVERNMENT PAPER—3 1-2 per cent. Tone steady.

Cash	98·0
1st Settlement 5th January	97·14

Money Market.—Tone easy.

BANK RATE.—

Bank of England since 21st April 3 per cent.
Bank of Bombay do 20th October 5 do
Bank of Bengal do 10th November 6 do
Bank of Madras do 6th July 4 do

SEEDS—

	Rs. a. p.
Linseed.—Tone steady.	
Ready	5 9 0 to 5 9 6
Rapeseed.—Tone quiet.	
Brown Cawnpore, Ready.	5 4
Yellow Cawnpore, Ready	5 13 to 14
Yellow Guzerat, Ready	5 14
Poppyseed.—Tone quiet.	
Ready	5 10
Castorseed—Tone steady.	
Ready	Rs. 25
GINGELLYSEED.—Tone quiet.	
Howree Khandeish	Rs. 35 3-4 to 36
15 per cent Mixed	Rs. 35 1-4 to 35 1-2
25 per cent „	Rs. 34 3-4 to 35
50 per cent „	Rs. 33 1-2 to 33 3-4
Black Kutnee	Rs. 31

LIVERPOOL OPENING TELEGRAM.

Tone—	quiet.
Estimated sales bales	8,000
Imports do.	Nil.

Dec.-Jan. 4·18 —2	Jan.-Feb 4·22 —2	
Feb.-Mch. 4·26 —2	Mch-Ap'. 4·30 —2	Apl.-May. 4·32 —2
May-June 4·35 —2	June-July 4·37 —2	July-Aug. 4·39 —2
	Aug. Sept 4·38 —2	

COTTON.—The tone of the market is easier today. Buyers are holding off and business at Colaba was slack this afternoon. The Sutta bazaar is also quieter. At the close Good M.G. Broach 15-25 March delivery is quoted to Rs. 215.

Official quotations of the Bombay Cotton Trade Association, Limited :—

Bengal (H.-G.) (Ry. terms)	180 170	25 Dec.
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Oomravatee description (M.G.)	197 191	25 Dec.
Do do	194 188	25 Jan.
Khandeish (M.-G.)	189 183	25 Dec.
Do. do.	186 180	25 Jan.
Khangaum fair staple (M-G) } Karanja do. do. do. } Akola do. do. do.	197 193	25 Dec.
	195 189	25 Jan.
Dhamangaum Poolgaum (M-G)	199 193	25 Dec.
Do.	196 190	25 Jan.
Broach (M.-G.)	221 ... 217	15/25 Mar.
Jalgaon (M. G.)	191 185	25 Dec.
Do. (M.-G.)	188 182	25 Jan.
Bengal (M. G.)	185 175	25 Dec.
Do.	181 171	25 Jan.
Sind-Punjab	180 170	do do.
Nagpur and Kamptee	201 195	25 Dec.
Do.	198 192	25 Jan.

THE WEATHER.

[BY TELEGRAPH.]

SIMLA, DEC. 15.

Thursday.—Pressure has risen briskly to rapidly in the plains of the Punjab, the North-West Frontier Province, Sind and Rajputana, and slightly to briskly in Gujarat. It has fallen slightly to briskly in the Central Provinces. The depression in the Punjab, yesterday, has filled up and the one in Gujarat has advanced in an easterly direction into the North Central Provinces, and in the adjacent districts. Rain and snow have fallen in the West Himalayas and rain in Upper India, Submontane districts and in the United Provinces while a few light scattered falls have occurred in Rajputana, Ludhiana and Dehradun report 1 inch, Roorkee, Amballa, Ranikhet, Chakrata, Mainpuri, Delhi, Simla, Murree half an inch. The weather will probably improve in the hills and Submontane districts of Upper India during the next 24 hours. As the depression in the Central Provinces advances Eastward it will probably give local rain in the more Western Districts of North-East India.

TELEGRAPHIC WEATHER AND CROP REPORTS, 15TH DECEMBER.

Amritsar.—Bright, no sign of rain. Expect improvement in rabi crops owing to seasonable weather.

Delhi.—Rain general over district. Rabi crops prospects generally good.

Agra.—Looks like rain. Cotton arriving in small quantities.

Cawnpore.—Showery. Continues cloudy.

Beawar.—Cloudy, but no rain. Mornings cold and dewy.

Amraoti.—Seasonable. Mornings cold and dewy.

Dhulia—Looks like rain. Rabi crop prospects generally good.

Broach.—Cloudy and unseasonable. Cotton plants in flower and show bolls rapidly ripening. Cotton picking general and arriving in small quantities.

Viramgam.—Bright, no sign of rain. Cotton plants show bolls rapidly ripening.

Wadhwan.—Cloudy, but no rain. Cloudy and unseasonable. Dewfall insufficient. Continues cloudy. Cotton plants ready for picking, and want fine weather.

Bhawnagar.—Bright, no sign of rain. Seasonable. Cotton picking general.

Barsi.—Bright, no sign of rain. Seasonable. Dewfall insufficient. Crop prospects generally good.

Sholapur.—Dewfall insufficient. Food-grains suffering from want of rain.

Hubli.—Bright, no sign of rain. Dewfall insufficient. Rain much needed generally. Dry winds and weather affecting crops adversely.

Bellary.—Bright, no sign of rain. Cotton plants want more rain. Absence of rain causes anxiety.

OBSERVATIONS TAKEN AT 8 A.M. ON THURSDAY, THE 15TH DECEMBER.

SUMMARY.

Pressure changes have been irregular, showing a brisk to rapid rise in Sind and Rajputana and at Lahore, Sirsa, Deesa and Neemuch, a brisk fall at Jubbulpore and a slight rise or fall elsewhere. The barometer is in moderate to considerable defect of normal on a large area.

Winds are very variable in direction and the force has been fresh at Nagapatam and Bombay and moderate to light elsewhere.

Temperature.—The greatest variations are :—Maximum 5° to 8° in defect in the Punjab and at Ajmer and Agra and 5° to 9° in excess in Berar and at Nagpur, Khandwa, Hoshangabad, Jubbulpore, Saugor and Jhansi ; minimum 5° in defect at Coimbatore and 5° to 19° in excess in many places. The highest temperature in the shade was 92° at Khandwa and the lowest 38° at Jacobabad.

Cloud and Humidity.—The sky is more or less cloudy in several places.

Rain in light or moderate showers fell at Negapatam, Surat, Neemuch, Jaipur Ajmer, Jhansi, Allahabad, Cawnpore, Agra and Delhi

Weather to the north of Latitude 18° is slightly unsettled and local scattered rain is likely.

N. LESLIE,
Meteorological Reporter for Western India.

BOMBAY GOVERNMENT ORDERS.

The "Bombay Government Gazette," December 15.

JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT.

The Hon'ble Mr Basil Scott B A (Oxon) Bar-at-law Advocate-Genl Bombay is allowed furlough for seven months with effect from the 31st Dec or the subsequent date on which he may avail himself of it.

The Govr in Council is pleased to appoint Mr E B Raikes Bar-at-law to act as Advocate-Genl Bombay during the absence on leave of the Honble Mr B Scott B A (Oxon) Bar-at-law or pending further orders.

POLITICAL DEPARTMENT.

Mr A S A Westropp I C S has been allowed by H M's Secy of State for India two months' furlough in continuation of the leave granted to him in this Dept Notification No. 5918 dated the 4th Sept 1903.

H E the Govr in Council is pleased to make the following appointments :—Capt T A F R Oldfield on relief by Capt R S Pottinger to be Second-in Command, Kolhapur Infy and ex-officio Asst Political Agent Kolhapur, Lieut R J C Burke on relief by Capt Oldfield to be Adjt Kolhapur Infy.

JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT.

Mr C H Longley Third Grade Asst Supt of Police has been allowed by the Secy of State an extension for one month of the furlough granted to him in Govt Notification No 2874 dated the 11th May.

The Govr in Council is pleased to appoint Mr Bhikaji Raghunath Mehendale Second Class Sub Judge Malegaon on relief to be Joint Second Class Sub Judge Nasik.

Under Sec 37 of the Code of Criminal Procedure 1898 the Govr in Council is pleased to empower Mr S N Desai Mamlatdar taluka Dohad and Magte of the First Class in the district of Punch Mahals to try in a summary way all the offences mentioned or referred to in sec 260 of the same Code.

In exercise of the powers conferred by section 4 of the Mamlatdars' Courts Act 1876 the Govr in Council is pleased to fix the following territorial limits of the jurisdiction of Azam L N Joshi Extra Head Karkun taluka Shevgaon who is specially authorised to exercise the powers of a Mamlatdar under the said Act by Govr Notification in the Judicial Dept No 6507 dated the 13th Dec and the withdraw the jurisdiction of the Mamlatdar of the taluka from the said limits namely :—

The limits of the following villages of the Shevgaon Taluka :—Lalegaon, Sarpe, Samangaon, Vadule Budruk, Bhagur, Sultanpur Khurd, Varur Budruk, Shahajapur, Apegaon Malegaon, Dhorjalgaon, Malkapur, Garudwadi, Avano Khurd, Adgaon, Vagholi, Vadule Khurd, Barhanpur, Shahapur, Amrapur, Kamatsingwe, Kopre, Chitali, Chitali Nimi, Kalogaon Fakir, Susre, Somthan Nalvade, Somnathe Budruk, Javkhede Dumala, Javkhede Khalsa, Parowadi, Mohoj Budruk, Mohoj Khurd, Mandve, Joharwadi, Kaudgaon, Tribhuvanwadi, Devrai, Satvad, Ghat Sirat, Madhi, Shirapur, Nimbodi, Somnath Khurd, Hanmant Takli, Padali, Hatral, Saidapur, Malibabulgaon, N vadunge, Tisgaon, Kasarpimpalgaon, Dhamangaon Kolvandi, Manik, Dhaundi Jatdevle, Mohori, Pathardi, Kharde, Bhorde, Malegaon, Vasu, Pangori Pimpalgaon, Sangavi Budruk, Sangavi Khurd, Prabhu Pimpri, Dulechandgaon, Agaskhand, Shekte, Bhute Takli, Pimpalgavan, Nipani Jalgaon, Koradgaon, Kol Sangvi, Jirewadi Jambhali, Mohoj Budruk, Akola, Valunj, Mohato, Karodi, Karegaon, Yoli, Sakogaon, Nandur Nimbanaitja, Kharwandi.

The Govr in Council is pleased to invest Mr G A Thomas I C S Asst Judge Belgaum with the appellate jurisdiction described in sec 17 of Bombay Civil Courts' Act 1869.

Mr C W Chitty B A (cantab) Bar-at-law Chief Judge of the Court of Small Causes Bombay is granted with effect from the 23rd Jan 1905 or the subsequent date on which he may avail himself of it such privilege leave as may be due to him on full pay on that date in combination with furlough for such period as may bring the combined period of absence up to ten months and twenty days.

REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

In Govt Notification No 9053 dated 23rd Novr 1904 printed at pages 1590-1591 of the Bombay "Government Gazette" dated 24th Novr 1904 Part I, for Mr V S Barde against entry No 27 read Mr V S Barde.

EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT.

H E the Govr in Council is pleased to appoint Miss A E Brooke to be Lady Supt Mahalaxmi Female Training College Ahmedabad vice Mrs F L McAfee retiring.

H E the Govr in Council has been pleased to re appoint the Revd D Mackichan M A, D D LLD to be Vice Chancellor of the Bombay University with effect from the 10th inst.

ECCLESIASTICAL DEPARTMENT.

In modification of Govt Notification No 44 dated the 21st Sept 1904 it is hereby notified that the Rev G R A Courtice on return from privilege leave officiated as Chaplain of Steamer Point Aden from the 27th Sept to 23rd Oct 1904 and as Chaplain of the Camp Aden from the 1st to 26th Oct both days inclusive.

MARINE DEPARTMENT.

With reference to section 13 of the Bombay Port Trust Act 1879 H E the Govr in Council is pleased to appoint Mr J S Brown to be a member of the Board of Trustees of the Port of Bombay vice Mr G A Anderson resigned.

GENERAL DEPARTMENT.

Karachi Artillery Volunteers—Major M H W Hayward is transferred to the Supery List with effect from the 1st Nov.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

H E the Govr in Council is pleased to appoint Mr J S Brown Supdg Engr 2nd Class State Rys to officiate as Secy to Govt Public Works Dept (Ry) during the absence on leave of Mr G A Anderson or until further orders.

DOMESTIC OCCURRENCES.

THE Charge for Announcements of BIRTHS, MARRIAGES DEATHS and MEMORIAM Notices (which must be authenticated by the name and address of the sender) is Rs. 2 for six lines or less, and 8 as. for every additional lines CASH strictly in ADVANCE.

OTHER PRESIDENCIES.

BIRTHS.

SARGENT—Nov 29, at Quetta, the wife of Captain A G Sargent, I M S, 128th Pioneers, of a son.

NUNN—Dec 2, at Bilva, Gaya District the wife of J W Nunn G K Ry, of a daughter.

FOOTE—Dec 5, at Ishapore, the wife of Major H B Foote, R A, of a son.

EVERETT—Dec 10, at Pasli Punja Estate, Azamgarh the wife of R A Everett, of a daughter.

MARRIAGE.

BOWIE—RAGGETT—Dec 10, at St Andrew's Church, Calcutta, by the Rev J Johnstone Wright, Alexander Bowie, Allahabad Bank, to Evelyn, only daughter of Elvenson Raggett, of Paget Place, Penarth, South Wales.

DEATHS.

BRADSHAW—Dec 1, at Lind Cottage, Mussoorie, Caroline, relict of the late Captain T Bradshaw, aged 89 years.

MOLE—Dec 10, at No 1 Camac Street, Calcutta, Nina, the beloved wife of P C Mole P W Accounts, R I P

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TO-DAY.

Sun rises, 6h. 23m. Sun sets, 5h. 25m. High water, 5 2m., 6-43a. Low water, 0-13a.
Chamber of Commerce, ballot for on Elective Port Trustee, 10 a. m. to 4 p. m.
Prize distribution, Bombay Education Society's Schools, 5 p. m.
University Examination Results—M.A. Examination.
Westminster Glee and Concert Party Town Hall, 9-30 p. m.
Chhatre's Indian Circus, Esplanade, 9 p.m.

ARRIVAL OF A NATIVE CHIEF.—H. H the Raja of Raigarh, attended by fifty followers arrived in Bombay on Wednesday evening and is putting up in a bungalow at Tardeo Road.

IMPORTING BEEF INTO BOMBAY.—Before Mr. J. W S. Dracup, at the Mazagon Police Court, yesterday, Hafiz Ali, a Mahomedan, was charged with importing 100lbs. of beef into Bombay from Kurla without a license from the Municipal Commissioner. The accused pleaded guilty to the charge and also admitted two previous convictions. He was sentenced to pay a fine of Rs. 100 with the alternative of one month's rigorous imprisonment.

POSTAL NOTICES.—Mails for Singapore, China and Japan per s. s. Ischia will be closed at the General Post Office at 12 noon, to-morrow.—Mails for Lamu, Mombassa, Ibo, Chindi, Dar-es-Salaam, Zanzibar, Tanga, Quilimane, Mozambique, Beira, and Delagoa Bay per s. s. Reichstag will be closed at the General Post Office at 6 p. m., on Sunday the 18 instant. Specially superscribed correspondence for Natal, Cape Colony and other places in South Africa will also be forwarded by this steamer.

BHOWNAGAR NOTES.—The weather here has been cloudy for the past few days, says our Bhownagar correspondent. This state of things indicates that there will be severe cold after the clouds are dispersed.—The Agent to H. E. the Governor in Kathiawar was to have paid a visit to Dhrangadhra on the 19th instant, but the visit has been postponed owing to a son of the Rajsaheb of Dhrangadhra having died. The telegrams of condolence which the Rajsaheb received from different parts of Kathiawar and Gujarat were numerous.—Some budmashes entered the Jain temple called "Dada Saheb" and carried off a necklace from the neck of a idol and a box containing valuables of the value of about Rs. 700. The Police are enquiring into the matter.

MUSIC AT THE EXHIBITION.—The following programme of music will be played by the Band of the 104th Wellesley Rifles at the Exhibition this evening under the direction of Mr. S. Walcote, Band Master from 5 to 7 p. m.

March	Hoch Habsburg	Krai
Overture	Hungarian	Belar Bela
Selection	The Belle of New York	Kerker
Valse	The River of years	Liddell
Selection	The Lady Slavey	Godfrey
Pas de Quarte	Faust up to date	Cutez

FROM 9 TO 11 P.M.

March	Weary Willie	Neat
Overture	Le Serment	Auber
Fantasia	Erin	Bascuit
Valse	Thine alone	Missier
Selection	The Cingalee	Monckton
Polacca De Concert	L'Oseau Du Bois	Theire

THEFT BY PARSEE YOUTHS.—Yesterday morning at the Esplanade Police Court before Mr. J. Sanders Slater, Chief Presidency Magistrate, two Parsee youths named, Dosabhoy Navroji and Peroshah Rustomji, fitters, were charged with the theft of four-anna worth of sugarcane sticks belonging to one Bhow Khundu, having a shop at Bazar Gate Street, Fort. Inspector Power was in charge of the case. It appeared that early yesterday morning at about two o'clock, both the accused on returning from a theatre happened to pass by the complainant's shop, and finding the sugarcane sticks, made off with them. The complainant arrested them and they were handed over to the police. Both the accused pleaded guilty to the charge. Mr. B. J. Dhondi, pleader, who appeared for the defence appealed to his Worship to let the accused with a fine as it was their first offence. They were each ordered to pay a fine of Rs. 30 or in default to undergo one month's hard labour.

OVERDOSE OF CHLORAL.—At the St. George's Hospital, yesterday morning, Mr. P. Byrne, Coroner for Bombay, conducted an inquest relative to the death of John Alpin, aged sixty years, a tally clerk employed in the P. and O. Company's dock and residing at Nawanagger Street, Mazagon. The evidence showed that the deceased was a regular opium eater and during the last month he was very irregular in attending his work. He also used to take chloral mixture (sleeping draught) to produce sleep On Wednesday morning he was found very drowsy in his bed and when an attempt was made to arouse him, he cried out for his opium box. He was conveyed to the St. George's Hospital, where on examination he was found to be suffering from symptoms of chloral poisoning. He was detained under treatment, but gradually grew worse and died at half-past 3 o'clock yesterday morning. On the deceased's room being searched, a box containing opium and two bottles of chloral mixture were found. The Jury returned a verdict that the deceased died from an overdose of chloral taken by him by misadventure.

PENALTY FOR RASH DRIVING.—At the Mazagon Police Court, yesterday, Mr. J. W. S. Dracup disposed of a case in which Inspector Aldridge charged Nathoo Santoo, a cart driver, with rash and negligent driving. Mr. Dalal, pleader, defended the accused. The evidence showed that at 2 p.m. on the 5th ultimo, a nishan procession was going along Dadar Road, when the accused who was at the rear of the procession drove in the midst of it, knocking down four persons. One of the injured persons named Rajaram Vithoo, a Hindu lad, aged twelve, sustained a fracture of the right arm. He was removed to the J. J. Hospital, where he is still under treatment. The other three persons were slightly injured. It further appeared that the accused had driven his cart in the midst of the procession, although he had been warned by some of the processionists not to do so. The accused in his defence stated that one of the processionists struck his bullock which took fright and bolted and hence the accident. The Magistrate held the charge proved and fined the accused Rs. 30. The whole amount of the fine if recovered, was ordered to be paid to the injured lad as compensation.

AN OLD OFFENDER.—At the Esplanade Police Court yesterday morning before Mr. J. Sanders-Slater, Chief Presidency Magistrate Inspector Power charged one Fakir Jussab, a Mahomedan, aged about 60 with theft of a sum of Rs. 6 from the pocket of an aged Hindu named Antaji Harri, a pensioner. Evidence disclosed the fact that on Wednesday afternoon at about half-past three, the complainant was returning home from the Crawford Market. At Jooma Musjid he noticed the accused pass in front of him. Just after that a policeman in plain clothes, named Daboo Babaji, came up with the accused to the complainant and asked him if he missed anything from his pocket. The complainant fumbled in his bundi-pocket and complained that he had lost Rs. 6 tied up in a piece of paper. The sepoy produced the money wrapped in a piece of paper which the complainant identified as belonging to him. It further appeared that the sepoy had been following the accused and saw him pick the pocket of the complainant and so arrested him. The accused pleaded not guilty and said the case was the outcome of malice between himself and the complainant as well as the sepoy. The Magistrate considered the charge proved. Accused who had two previous convictions, was sentenced to two years' rigorous imprisonment.

UNIVERSITY EXAMINATION RESULT.

FIRST LL. B. EXAMINATION.

THE results of the First LL. B. Examination of the Bombay University were announced yesterday. Dhirajlal Lalbhai Mehta gets the Kinloch Forbes gold medal and prize ; and Manu Chandrawidyanand Pandya gets the Nandshanker P. Dave scholarship. The following have passed—

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Athani, Narayan G
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Barve, Nilkanth S
Basroor, Sheshgiri M
Batiwala, Pherozeshaw B
Bhambhani, Kodusing T
Bijlani, Nebhraj N
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Birje, Gopal L
Captain, Hormasji S
Chenoy, Nadirshah B
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Chhatrapati, Manibhadra N
Choksi, Nathabhai N
Chubb Ruttonshaw E
Cooper, Hormasji E
Dadachanji, Bezan K
Dadachanji, Minocher P
Dalal, Kavasji P
Dalal, Narayan C
Dalal, Shivshankar S
Daru, Balvachram D
Dastur Jamshed N
Dave, Tanmanram R
Davis, Thomas
Desai, Maharudraprasad V
Desai, Sundarji G
Desai, Yeshwant W
Deshpande Hanmant G
Deshpande, Yeshwant K
Devitre, Phirozshah G
Dokras, Madhav R
Engineer, Nusservanji P
Ghaswalla, Dorab A
Ginwalla, Framroz J
Gokhale, Ganesh H
Gokhale, Keshav B
Gokhale, Sambhaji V
Gupte Damodar S
Gupte, Gajanan S
Hindia, Chimanlal D
Jagtiani, Sajansing F
Joshi, Anant R
Joshi, Keshavrao A
Joshi, Narayan V
Joshi, Pandurang V
Joshi, Ramchandra S
Jungalwala, Nanabhoy T
Kalghati Seshgir V
Kalsulkar, V
Kane Balkrishna V
Kanetkar, Gangadhar G
Kapadia, Darasha R
Kapadia, Lalji G
Karmarkar Laxman D
Karnad, Sadashiv Rau
Kembhavi, Bhimaji S
Khan Mohamad M
Khory, Manekji N
Kikla, Goverdandas A
Kolatkar, Hari V
Kolhatkar, Nilkanth V
Kolhare, Vasudev K
Kulkarni, Ganjanan K
Kulkarni, Subaji N
Lalkaka, Matal R
Lele, Dinkar R
Limbuvala, Nariman F
Lobo, Charles M
Mahajan, Balwant N
Malkani, Harjasmal G
Manerikar, Dhondo R
Mansukhani Gulabrai N
Master, Thakorlal C
Mehendale, Vishwanath K
Mehta Barjorji F
Mehta, Jayasukhlal K
Mehta, Madhavlal S
Mehta, Manant K
Mehta Muncherji P
Mehta Priyasukhram S
Mehta, Rustomji B
Merchant Goolamally Goolam H
Modi, Chhotalal D
Munshi, Krishnalal M
Munsif, Ratilal G
Muzumdar, Jagannath V
Nagarkar, Vasudeo B
Nagrani, Nandiram V
Naik, Nanubhai R
Nanavati, B M
Nargund, Jayrao S
Nargundkar, Anant G
Palia, Edalji K
Pandit, Anantanand I
Pandya, Manu C
Parasharami, Damodar K
Parvatikar, Venkatesh P
Patel Hormusji B
Patel Vikajee M
Pathekji, Balkrishna V
Pednekar, Vithal G
Petigara Darab K
Pocha Ardeshir J
Powar, Ramchandra R
Ranade, Mahadev L
Ranade, Nagnath L
Rohekar, Abraham I
Saheba Harilal D
Saldanha, Henry L
Samsi, Vaman A
Saue Sadashiv K
Sanghvee, Navalchand G
Savanur, Ramchandra S
Savarkar, Vinayak D
Sethna, Framji H
Shah, Dalsukhbhai L
Shah Mangaldas J
Shah, Sanghraj N
Shah, Vadilal N
Shaikh, Amir Husain R B
Sheikh Mohammad A.
Shiveshwarkar, Narayan G
Shukla, Uttamram K
Tahilramani Jethanand T
Tambakuvala, Chunilal J
Tambane, Rajaram A
Thakur, Anant K
Thatte Dattatraya B
Thosar, Sadashiv N
Tilak, Ramchandra M
Trivedi, Hargovind M
Unvala, Bomanji M
Upponi, Narayan D
Vaidya Jugatram L
Vakil, Darasha J
Vakil, Maneklal H L
Varde, Dinkar S
Vohra, Yeshvantray V

THE SIMLA-KALKA RAILWAY.

WE pointed out some weeks ago that the Government of India could not long delay facing the problem connected with their financial interest in the Simla-Kalka Railway. The stock-holders in the line have been considering their interest in it also, but they got little satisfaction from anything their representatives were able to tell them. "The magnitude of the works and the difficulties encountered in the construction of the railway had far exceeded the forecast of the Government and the company's officers who investigated the projects," and "the directors had been much surprised to receive estimates from their late Agent and Chief Engineer for expenditure largely in excess of his previous demands." It therefore became necessary to ask the stock-holders for authority to increase the borrowing powers from £650,000 to £800,000. Whatever money may be necessary to complete the works will be provided by the Secretary of State for India and this of course will increase the amount of the 4 per cent interest charges which have to be paid before the stock-holders can get any return for their money. The whole matter will come up again for further discussion when Colonel Gracey has sent in the report which he is now preparing in this country but it is hardly possible that he will be able to promise the stock holders early relief from their anxieties. It was suggested that the Secretary of State might be asked to accept 3 per cent interest instead of 4 per cent, but to do so would establish a very inconvenient precedent and the Secretary of State is scarcely likely to forego his pound of flesh whatever the embarrassments of the stock-holders may be.—"Pioneer."

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"TWENTY-SEVEN DAYS IN INDIA."

Twenty-seven days is not a very long time in which to travel from Darjeeling to Tuticorin, including visits to Calcutta and Bombay, nor a period usually considered sufficient to study the manners and customs of the people. But Miss Anderson Morton, who writes of such a flying tour, in "East and West," certainly made most of her time and opportunities. She is aware that it is a bold person who thinks to receive any permanent impressions of a vast country like India in a visit of twenty-seven days ; though, with a mind wide awake and a brain on the alert, impressions of some kind are bound to make themselves felt. Such impressions she seeks to make permanent by writing them down and getting the local magazine to print them. Fortunately, however, she does not pretend to have gained "even a small insight into the minds of the inhabitants." She does not believe that in six years it would be possible to gauge the temper of a nation with such a variety of racial and other differences, or that at the end of a six years' residence many Europeans know much more of it than when they landed. She is quite right in this conjecture and amply justified in concluding that the dicta of the globe-trotter and the opinions of the ordinary type of Anglo-Indian may be listened to with interest, but should be adopted with caution. And so she confines her remarks to impressions. Miss Morton only spent a few hours in Calcutta. This was after a fortnight in Ceylon and another in Burma. But those few hours sufficed to let her feel the immense difference—physical, mental and moral. It would have been more remarkable, had she not felt this difference, seeing that it is about as great as that between London and Moscow in physical, mental and moral atmosphere. When people come to India, they expect only as great variety between Darjiling and Mandalay and Tuticorin as between Birmingham, Manchester and Glasgow, and are astonished to find that there is more. It is, as we pointed out the other day, the fault of teachers who leave geography so studiously alone.

Miss Morton need not marvel that Calcutta takes life more seriously than does Prome, or Newaraliya, or even than Darjiling. Bombay takes things more seriously even than Calcutta, so seriously indeed as almost to have forgotten that there are gay, merry, light-hearted and kindly disposed persons this side of Suez. There are hundreds, and Miss Morton met and knew them. Nevertheless she appreciated the people who abandoned rose-pinks and apple-greens for "strong reds and greens and purples of strong and passionate natures," kept cool, we suppose, by the neglect to wear a head-dress. She is over-awed by Darjiling and Kinchinjunga as well as impressed by the characteristics of the people as compared with those of the inhabitants of Calcutta. Calcutta seems, however, to have impressed the lady most. It is lurid with hidden possibilities. Its mysteries are impenetrable. Its inscrutability is oppressing. The bar of language adds to the alien feeling. Naturally. And here are "almost as great differences between the inhabitants themselves as between oneself and certain sections of the community. While one may watch in silent puzzlement the earnestness of the bather in the Ganges, one may enjoy the society at a Brahmo Somaj party, feeling a community of interest and sympathy in union of aim, greater than at any ordinary 'at home' in the world's metropolis. There is some purpose in life among this people, a purpose not hidden by the outward demeanour of seeming indifference, so largely cultivated in the West, but something of which one may speak without being a bore. In short, one may be in earnest without being stigmatised as bad form." Perhaps. But we imagine the people at a Brahmo Somaj party resent a string of questions as much as the guests at an "at home," regard the one "in earnest" as more or less of a crank, and the bathers in the Ganges would look up on the bye-stander on the banks with pretty much the same contempt that a sea-side bather on the English coast would upon him who persistently stands beneath the cliff with field-glasses in his hand

Benares, Agra, Jeypore, Ahmedabad, Trichinopoly, Seringham, Madras, Madura were all included in the twenty-seven days' circular tour, and Miss Morton has an intelligent word on each and every one of these places. Bombay seems to have bewildered her. She must have found herself very much nearer Home here than in any other part of the country ; but she seems to hesitate about committing herself to much concerning us. Is it fair to compare Bombay and Calcutta ? she asks. Of course it is. We have natural advantages and are grateful for them. And surely the gifts of nature are not to count for nothing. Miss Morton believes we are cleaner than Calcutta, that we are brighter and more cheerful. Even Madras, where she found the people somewhat gloomy, outshines Calcutta in cheerfulness. Up-country people find that Bombay depresses them, that its damp atmosphere renders them limp and inert. So it may, for a day or two. But we know that everyone who stays long enough to become acclimatised—two or three days at the most—is invariably benefited by the change, and takes on the brightness and cheerfulness which Miss Morton credits us with and is as invariably sorry to leave, when the time comes. India's three great cities, as Miss Morton observes, are anything but a repetition of one another ; but ninety-nine out of a hundred visitors "will surely give the palm for beauty to Bombay, especially if their first view is the drive from Grant-road station to Malabar Hill." We should have thought that as wide a berth as possible should be given to the former locality, or any other part of the native town, and would have preferred to begin our tour of inspection at the Wellington pier and follow the Queen's road to the Ridge. Bombay harbour renders the writer enthusiastic, but she will not let her pen go. Certainly her space is restricted, but she has written enough to induce the tourist to follow the track she has beaten and to see more rather than less of India on the brief tour, the cold weather visitor usually allows himself to.

AUTOCRASY AND FINLAND.

One of the consequences of the Russification of Finland was the murder of General Bobrikoff. That incident created a situation which the Tsar, as Grand Duke of Finland, sought to ease by calling the Diet to meet, shorn though it has been of many of its functions and privileges. The elections have recently taken place, and the results represent a striking expression of the popular voice against Tsarism. The returns show that nearly all parties in the Duchy have united to record their dissatisfaction with the present regime, and autocracy seems to have been more alarmed than ever by what it has called forth. It was in a moment of alarm that the order convening the Diet was given, and the result has been the rout of the Old Finn Party which has hitherto supported the Imperial authorities. This party has held till recently that the real oppressors of Finland have been the nobility and middle classes of Swedish descent. Swedes and Finns have combined against the Old Finn Party, and disintegration, or at least a great change of view, has taken place in its own ranks. The elections have placed it in a considerable minority. The Diet is constituted of four estates, and its composition now gives 230 "anti-Tsarists against 85 Old Finns. There are a hundred "anti-Tsarists" amongst the nobles against thirty Old Finns ; 67 against six among the citizens ; 26 against 24 among the clergy in whose ranks the Old Finn majority was previously considerable, and there are 37 anti-Tsarists to 25 Old Finns among the Peasants' Order. This latter majority represents a remarkable change, for the Old Finns previously controlled the peasants, who, as is the wont of peasantry, regarded the nobility and middle classes as their greatest enemies. There has thus been a great national recognition of the political issues involved in the elections, and the results must be regarded as a national protest against the methods of autocracy, Unhappily the indications are that having called forth this remarkable expression of Finnish opinion, the Imperial authorities are proceeding to nullify it in the most effectual way. The decisions of the Diet can already be annulled by the bureaucracy. But on the day the result of the elections became known, the Tsar appointed a Commission, half of the members being purely Russian officials, to revise the internal procedure of the Diet. That, of course, can mean nothing but the further curtailment of the Diet's functions and the suppression of the popular voice.

THE HEALTH OF THE CITY.

THE most notable feature of the health statistics of the city at the moment is the indication of an epidemic of small-pox. Fourteen fatal cases were recorded last week, and during the seven days ended on Tuesday there were nineteen deaths from the disease. Dr. Turner, the Municipal Executive Health Officer, has already announced the facilities which are provided for vaccination. Nobody would wish to create a scare but in view of the large numbers of people now being drawn to the city, they are wise people who take the precautions which may be observed to prevent the epidemic getting out of hand. It is nearly five years since the last serious outbreak of small-pox in Bombay, and it is to be hoped that the present epidemic will be checked before it reaches the same proportions as its predecessor. The plague deaths are so far keeping well within the limit of two figures. There were seventy-two fatal cases last week, and seventy-six the week before, but these figures are well over those of the corresponding periods of last year. The total mortality for the week is 106 in excess of that of the same time a year ago. Deaths from phthisis and other respiratory diseases numbered 240, an increase over the previous total, and 66 in excess of the number at the corresponding period of last year. The portents do not seem to be favourable for a very healthy cold season. The recorded birth-rate is, however, still advancing, last week's returns showing 458 against 453 the week before, and 438 a year ago.

CHRISTMAS POSTAL PACKETS.

A POSTAL notice has been issued by the Postmaster General, Bombay, dated the 10th instant, in which the public are warned against posting Christmas and New Year cards in closed envelopes notched or cut at the sides or ends, and their attention invited to clauses 63 and 165 of the Indian Postal Guide. These clauses, which refer to foreign as well as inland post, are to the effect that a book packet must be posted without a cover, or with a cover entirely open at both ends, or in an unfastened envelope, or in a cover which can be easily removed so as to admit of a ready examination of the contents. Considering the large amount added to the postal revenue every year at this time, we should have thought the postal authorities would have extended facilities to the public in the matter of posting Christmas and New Year greetings, instead of placing difficulties in their way by adhering strictly to the letter of the clauses quoted. The number of people who would try to cheat the Post Office by enclosing letters with cards must be very small indeed, and in the circumstances we cannot imagine why the ordinary envelope cut at the sides or ends will not suffice to meet the requirements of the Post Office. Thousands of Christmas and New Year's Cards are sent through the post, and there is not time to examine the contents of such packets. Under the existing perfunctory conditions of carrying out the examination of packets containing cards, an envelope properly cut at the sides or ends would offer the Post Office, the same facilities for examination as an unfastened envelope with the ends tied with string. Of course, if there were time to unfasten the strings of packets for inspection of the contents, it would be another matter, but as things are the Postmaster-General's warning to the public appears to us to be unnecessary. In any case, so far as foreign post is concerned, it is rather late in the day to issue the notice, most people who sent home cards having done so last week, or the week before.

AN Indian Medical Service dinner will be held in Calcutta, on the 27th instant.

THE latest news of the Kabul Mission is that it reached Barikab, on the 9th instant. The arrangements along the route were of a sumptuous kind.

SARDAR NASRULLAH KHAN, brother of the Amir of Kabul, has postponed his tour of inspection along the frontiers of Afghanistan for an indefinite time.

SIR BENJAMIM FRANKLIN, Director-General of the Indian Medical Service, retires on the 1st January. It is understood that Colonel Bomford, who officiated in the appointment for three months this year, will succeed him.

WE regret to record yet another case of a sepoy's running amok. The man belongs to the 126th Baluchistan Regiment. He was employed on escort duty with a Survey party near Shaikh Wasil. Last Saturday he killed one of his fellow sepoys, wounded a Havildar and another sepoy and then fled across the border.

THE total number of deaths registered in Bombay during the week ending December 13, was 693, giving a death-rate of 46·43 per annum per thousand as against 39·33 the corresponding period of last year, and 52·17 the average over the past five years. Of the total number 47 died from fevers ; 72, plague ; 19, small-pox ; 3, measles ; 2, cholera ; 3, leprosy ; 71, phthisis ; 49, diseases of the nervous system; 169, affections of the respiratory organs ; 23, diarrhœa ; 15, dysentery ; 43, still-born ; 123, old age and debility ; 14, accidents and violence. The classified list of deaths shows :—Jain, 18 ; Brahmin, 28 ; Lingaet, 1 ; Bhattia, 4; Hindu of other caste, 383 ; Hindu low caste, 73 ; Musalman, 139 ; Parsee, 16 ; Jew, 0 ; Native Christian, 23 ; Eurasian, 1 ; European, 4 ; Negro-African, 2 ; Buddhist, 0 ; other and unknown castes, 1. The total number of births was 458 as against 438 the corresponding period of last year, and 327 the average over the past five years.

THE Tientsin correspondent of the "Telegraph" states that Dr. Westwater, of the British Medical Mission, is known, beloved, and respected by the Chinese for miles around Liao-yang. During the great battle he had already in his hospital a number of Chinese brought from a village some miles away, into whose house a Japanese shell had dropped, killing one man and wounding more or less badly fifteen women and children. These in their terror had crawled under the kang, or raised and heated platform upon which Celestials love to lie. A child of seven had her foot blown away, and a shrapnel ball through her left wrist. The wife of the man killed was still suckling a crying baby, though in her skull another of these great round pieces of lead had lodged. A similar bullet had crashed in through the bridge of an elderly woman's nose and found its way into the cranium. The whole group, bleeding and covered with soot, presented a picture of the most abject misery, which was the more touching because silent and resigned.

THERE is every reason to believe that penny postage for inland letters will soon be an accomplished fact in France. There is another reform, however, announced at the same time, which by no means secures the unanimous support of the other. It has to do with the Poste Restante. Up to now the supposed owner of any set of initials or of any pseudonym could withdraw his letters without further ado from the pigeon-holes of the Post Office. Now, however, a new regulation stipulates that he shall produce proofs of identity. It is easy to see that the old system was open to fraud and abuse of all kinds ; for instance, it played a large part in the operations of Mme. Humbert. Did not always the mysterious Crawfords draw letters against their initials at the Post Office ? But obviously the larger use of anonymous correspondence is in the arranging of clandestine meetings, and this new order of the Under-Secretasy fot the Department will interrupt a flood of "billets doux" between the grisette and the shop young man. But that kind of intrigue is superior to laws, and doubtless the street kiosque will become the new letter-box for Romeo and Juliette.

THE recent outbreak of rioting in Russia caused by the recall of reservists to the colours for service in Manchuria, affords a startling and instructive contrast to what I have lately witnessed in Japan, writes an English medical correspondent. I have been in Tokyo for some time since the outbreak of the war, and being on friendly terms with numbers of the Japanese Army Medical Staff, have assisted them in medically examining reservists and others coming up for enrolment for service at the front One of my last experiences was assisting in the examination of 1,500 of these men. They were most of them field coolies, and fine, sturdy, healthy fellows. Of the whole lot we only had to reject three. Outside the building where we were working, the relatives and friends of the prospective warriors had gathered, and hearing a considerable noise of weeping and lamentation from the direction of these latter, I concluded it was a very natural expression of feeling on the part of those about to be bereaved of their loved ones. Inquiry, however, proved that the wailing was proceeding entirely from the families and sympathisers of the three men whom we had refused to pass, and who were thus debarred from serving against the enemy.

IBSEN'S phrase about the "young knocking at the door" has been admirably illustrated by a striking return just issued by the Cambridge University authorities. It gives the numbers of undergraduates sent up by each school during the past three years. Eton comes first with 128 men, but Harrow follows close with 112. Marlborough's contribution is 82, Rugby's 78, while Clifton, Uppingham, Charterhouse, and Cheltenham furnish over 50 each. A feature of the list is the extraordinary number of comparatively unknown schools which have sent up one or more undergraduates. More significant still is the large number drawn from a lower social grade. Elementary schools have provided 13, Teachers' Training Colleges 19, Pupil Teachers' Centres 14, and higher Grade Schools 9. Another remarkable fact is the large number of foreigners from all parts of the world who have taken advantage of the Cambridge University training. Between Michaelmas 1902 and 1904, 52 undergraduates have hailed from India, 28 from South Africa, 15 from Germany, 11 from America, and 10 or less from Japan, New Zealand, the Straits Settlements, Ceylon, France, Canada, and Switzerland. Students have also been sent up from China, Egypt, Norway, Newfoundland, Belgium, and Barbadoes. All this shows that "the present is enceinte with the future," as Liebnitz told a man years ago. Given fitting reforms, Cambridge and Oxford may hereafter play the part of the world's great Imperial Universities.

IVAN THE TERRIBLE.

A NEW VIEW OF THE AUTOCRAT.

ON August 25, 1530, when Ivan the Terrible was born, the country was filled with the noise of thunder and with awful flashes of lightning. Even when the "Terrible" began only to stir the armies of his father, fighting before Kazan had felt a flush of eagerness and valour such as they had never known before. With tales of such prodigies has popular legend adorned the advent of the man who was destined to overpower the imagination of humanity by his awful deeds, the birth of the fire Tsar of Russia, who in that land of enigmas is still the greatest engima. All prominent Russian historians and political writers have made Ivan the Terrible the subject of their special study, but they varied considerably in their appreciations of his character and motives. The Terrible of Karamzine and of Pagadine is a capricious tyrant, cruel as Nero while the "Terrible" of Soloviov and of Kaveline is a reformer. Constantine Aksakov describes him as a kind of tragic actor, for ever seeking picturesque poses and dramatic effects, while Kostomarov has him a vulgar and depraved despot, and Mikhailovsky a common lunatic. But nearly a century has passed since Karamzine wrote his great "History of the Russian State," and several decades since even the latest of those historians have gone to their graves. A great amount of new material concerning the Russia of the sixteenth century has been accumulated since then, and the cleverest of the living Russian historians—Klioutelrevsky, Millioukov, Platonov, &c.—have not made a complete use of these new facts, because the field of their historical researches embraces the whole history of Russia, and not only one or two epochs. Therefore the gallant attempt of M. Waliszewsky, based on an exhaustive study of every available source of information, to rehabilitate the "Terrible" and to clear him from the misrepresentations of his detractors as well as those of his apologists must be sincerely welcomed by every student of historical science.

M. Waliszewsky, writes a reviewer in a home paper, has not attempted to judge Ivan the Terrible from the standpoint of our present morals and ideas, and he has found it necessary to consecrate the first third of his book to the description of Russia of the sixteenth century. Chaotic was the Russia of that time. It was the century of the founders of the present immense autocratic Russian Empire, the century of the "gatherers of Russian soil," broken to pieces, first by suicidal wars, and then by the conquest and devastation of Russia by the Mongols. The Tartar yoke was now broken, but the country was still in danger of invasion—on one side by the Poles, Livonians, and Scandinavians, and on the other by the Asiatics. The Russia of Kiev, of free communities choosing their princes, had passed away. But it was not as yet the Russia of St. Petersburg. The country was less than thinly populated, and town life in our sense was hardly known. Novgorod and Pskov were really commercial cities ; Moscow, the capital of the "State," was but "a military colony" in a conquered country." Russia had been only recently, and still incompletely, torn from the yoke of a foreign conquest ; the Tartar horrors were still fresh in the memory of the people, the dangers had not as yet passed away, and the native princes who had freed them were obeyed by the masses blindly, with limitless docility and patience. The state of insecurity was general in the Russia of the sixteenth century, and the struggle for life was embittered in every class by this uncertainty affecting every condition. Properly speaking there was as yet no real society, no well-defined classes. The Sovereign was the symbol of the unity of Russia and the omnipotent centre of life. The descendants of the ancient princely families still preserved their appanages and privileges, but the Sovereign was encroaching more and more upon their powers, and they nourished a bitter resentment. He ruled "manu militari" in order to be able to face the foreign enemy, appropriating every available resource of the country, every available force. But the disconcerted princes began to abandon the service of the Muscovite Sovereign and to pass into that of the neighbouring nations—an ancient right which they had possessed from times immemorial. The Sovereign to stop this perpetual migration had recourse to frightful punishments, which only increased the treasonable intercourse of his nobles with the enemy.

Such was the state of Russia during the reign of Ivan the Terrible's grandfather and father. When the latter died Ivan was only five years old. A regency was, therefore, established, during which the princes had their revenge, ill-treating the young Sovereign and fighting ferociously with each other for the unexpected power. 'In my presence," wrote Ivan at a later date of the prince in power, Ivan Chouisky, "he stretched out his booted feet on my father's bed. . . . I was suffering privations, lacking everything, even to food and clothing." Ivan grew up in an atmosphere of perpetual battle, ready to give back blow for blow, desperately nervous, cruel, irritable "His earliest pleasures, shared with the companions chosen for him, were hideous, like everything about him. Seeing men tortured under his eyes, he tortured beasts until he was able to do likewise. His greatest amusement was to throw dogs down from the top of one of the castle terraces and enjoy their anguish. He was given his way ; he was even encouraged in it. The man's turn was soon to come.

Ivan's rule was full of apparent contradictions, of reforms and of pitiless tyranny of brilliant deeds of arms and cowardly military disasters, and, above all, of the most inhuman cruelties. But, as M. Waliszewsky tries to prove by numerous facts, all throughout his reign the "Terrible" acted in pursuance of one and the same goal—the establishing of Russia of the autocrat in the place of ancient Russia of the appanaged princes. Even the most enigmatic of all the actions of Ivan—the nomination by him of a separate Tsar, before whom for two years he humbly behaved like the least of his servants—is considered by M. Waliszewsky as intended either to protest the power of the autocrat or to teach his subjects how to venerate him. The well-planned and systematic extermination with torture of the inhabitants of Novgorod and of Pskoy is but one of a long list of massacres ordered and superintended by Ivan. M. Waliszewsky writes of it :—"The two cities, whose forcible annexation to the empire had disturbed their habits and damaged their interests, could hardly have been forced into the observance of their new duties by any incentive less strong than fear."

Such is the author's appreciation of Ivan the Terrible and his rule, if rule it may be called. It varies largely from all former nations of Ivan, and it has yet to stand the test of historical criticism. We confess that the arguments brought forward by M. Waliszewsky do not seem to us convincing. We think that the author gives too much credit to the policy of striking the imagination by terror. Neither can we agree with the author in his idea that the Tartar conquest of Russia has not stayed the progress of the Russian nation. Still less can we understand his meaning when he says that the emancipation of the serfs in 1861 was a "premature and hasty measure." It seems to us that M. Waliszewsky is too much inclined towards class domination, but he has stated his arguments with scrupulous regard for truth, and his book is a valuable addition to the historical literature on Russia. And it is astonishing to note how much affinity there is between the forgotten efoch of Ivan the Terrible and the Russian autocracy of to-day.

NUMEROUS shocks of earthquake occurred early on Sunday morning, in Mysore and the Nilgiris and Coimbatore Districts. Apparently the shocks were mild, and no damage is reported.

THE Amir of Kabul is still pursuing the statesmanlike course of allowing Afghan refugees in India to return to their home on condition of their taking the oath of allegiance. The sons and family of General Daoud Shah, who was Yakub Khan's Commander-in-Chief at the time of the Cavagnari massacre, recently left Peshawar for Kabul. The family of Asmaltah Khan, Ghilzai, who was executed for treason, are also being allowed to return. They had found asylum in Swat.

SIEGE HORRORS.

EFFECTS OF HAND GRENADES.

WARSHIPS SUNK.

NAVAL OFFICER'S PUNISHMENT.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, DEC. 14.

Captain Klado's outspokenness in criticising the inaction of the Admiralty regarding the re-inforcement of the Baltic squadron and his punishment for doing so has excited an extraordinary degree of public sympathy, and he is being made a popular hero by all classes in St. Petersburg.

The "Daily Telegraph" in a message from Chifu says that a messenger from Dalny states that another Japanese warship, larger than the Saiyen which was lost, was also sunk on the 30th ultimo off Port Arthur by torpedo-boats.

Japanese Cruisers sank two Russian torpedo-boats off Port Arthur on the 25th ultimo.

Reuter's correspondent with the besiegers at Port Arthur says that the effect of the dynamite grenades was instanced appallingly in the recent fighting, the dead being torn into an unrecognisable mass of flesh, bones and fragments. Hundreds of killed unearthed from unfilled trenches presented a spectacle of awful horror. Heavy timbers and steel plates of the bomb-proof shelters were shattered to splinters.

Mr. S. Hayashi, Consul for Japan in Bombay, received the following telegram yesterday morning from his Government :—

The Commander of the Naval Artillery Corps reports :—The bombardment of the 13th was principally aimed at the arsenal and the torpedo depot at Tiger Tail and ships and boats in the vicinity. The torpedo depot was ablaze for one hour. Three ships were destroyed and one was sunk, besides buildings were greatly damaged.

Indirect bombardment on the Sevastopol staying in the outside harbour was suspended owing to bad weather which prevented our observation.

Admiral Togo reports : Our torpedo-boat flotillas attacked the Sevastopol twice on the night of the 12th, and thrice on the night of the 13th, the result of which is uncertain. Each time they met with the enemy's fierce fire and one torpedo-boat was disabled, but was towed back, while three others received one shot each. Our total casualties were only three men wounded.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON DEC. 15.

Advices from Swakopmund state that Admiral Rozhdestvensky's squadron arrived at Angra Peguena on the 11th inst. and is reported to be coaling from colliers.

An official announcement at Tokio says that the bombardment on the 13th inst. set fire to the torpedo depot at Tiger's Tail destroyed three ships and sank another lying in the vicinity.

Admiral Togo reports that his torpedo boats made five attacks on the Sevastopal on Monday and Tuesday night, but the results have not been ascertained. They met with a fierce fire and one was disabled and towed back. Three were hit, and there were three casualties.

Reuter wires from Aden that Admiral Foelkersahms is still at Jibutil awaiting Admiral Batrovosky's supplementary Baltic Fleet.

LATER.

News from Port Arthur states that the Sevastopol afloat, but damaged.

Admiral Foelkersahms' squadron quitted Jibutil waters last evening.

Admiral Togo's fleet is going through a thorough overhaul and refit in readiness to meet the Baltic fleet.

Colombo telegrams, dated Dec. 15th, state :—The storming of the North-Eastern Forts continues. The attack on Port Arthur continues with unabated fury.

It is understood that the "Novi Krai" furnished the Japanese Government with the details of the recent heavy fighting.

The Government's silence is interpreted as indicating that victory is not as near as was hoped.

The Japanese Government have declined to permit a special steamer to convey medicine and medical appliences to Port Arthur, but, if necessary, it is willing to send them themselves.

The authorities at St, Petersburgh claim that the enemy's assaults at Port Arthur have been brilliantly repulsed with heavy Japanese losses.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

AMERICA AND ITALY.

An Arbitration Treaty.

LONDON, DEC. 14.

An Italo-American Arbitration Treaty has been signed at Washington, identical with others signed by America.

THE HUNGARIAN DIET.

A Quiet Assembly.

The Hungarian Diet assembled to-day, and all passed off quietly, the guards to whom the Opposition had objected being absent.

MILITARY INTELLIGENCE.

Major M. H. W. Hayward, Karachi Artillery Volunteers, is transferred to the Supernumerary List with effect from the 1st November.

Captain T. A. F. R. Oldfield, on relief by Captain R. S. Pottinger, is appointed to be Second-in-Command, Kolhapur Infantry, and "ex-officio" Assistant Political Agent, Kolhapur.

Lieutenant R. J. C. Burke, on relief by Captain Oldfield, becomes Adjutant, Kolhapur Infantry.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

REFORM MOVEMENT IN RUSSIA.

Moscow Council's Resolutions.

GENERAL AND EMPHATIC DEMANDS.

LONDON, DEC. 15.

The Moscow town Council yesterday passed a unanimous Resolution affirming the following reforms as being absolutely necessary :—The protection of the subject against official caprice, the abolition of exceptional laws, the freedom of conscience, of the Press and of meeting, and the representation of the people in the Government.

The growth of the Liberal movement in Russia is daily more manifest, and the newspapers are in a most outspoken manner advocating far reaching reforms which the meetings of students and the educated classes are emphatically demanding.

DEATH OF M. SYVETON.

Reason for Suicide.

It transpires that Deputy Syveton's suicide was intended to cover a most painful demestic scandal in which M. Syveton and his step daughter were mainly concerned.

THE SOUTHERN COMMAND.

Sir Ian Hamilton Appointed.

The "Standard" says that General Ian Hamilton succeeds General Sir Evelyn Wood in the Southern Command on the 31st inst, but will not be recalled immediately, General Charles Knox officiating for him temporarily.

THE DUKE OF CONNAUGHT.

A Tour of Military Inspection.

The Duke of Connaught accompanied by the Duchess starts early in January on board the cruiser Essex to inspect the forces and fortresses in the Mediterranean and Egypt.

THE STATE OF BHAWALPUR.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, DEC. 15.

The Viceroy receives a deputation from the Nawab of Bhawalpur to-morrow.

THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE SUNDARBUNS.

The Bill abolishing the appointment of the Commissioner of the Sundarbuns which will be introduced at the Bengal Legislative Council next Saturday is to enable this rich, but hitherto much neglected, region to be brought under the administration of the neighbouring districts, thereby facilitating its being opened up for cultivation.

THE SMOKE NUISANCE.

The Smoke Nuisance Abatement Bill for Bengal which is also to be introduced at the Bengal Council is to render compulsory the use of certain smoke consuming appliances which have been found capable of economical application.

THE IMPROVEMENT OF CALCUTTA.

It is understood that the Government of India are still in communication with the Secretary of State on the subject of the improvement of Calcutta, and that no further steps will be taken until sanction has been obtained to the general features of the scheme as threshed out by the representative Committee which recently investigated it.

THE PROPOSED PARTITION OF BENGAL.

The question of the partition of Bengal is being taken up again, but it is understood that the Government of India's proposals have still to be sent to the Secretary of State.

SIBPUR ENGINEERING COLLEGE.

The property now occupied by the Sibpur Engineering College is to be made over to the Calcutta Port Commissioners for the extension of warehouses and jetties. The College is to be moved to a more healthy site elsewhere.

THE CONGRESS OF ORIENTALISTS.

INDIA'S REPRESENTATIVE.

Sir C. J. Lyall has been nominated by the Secretary of State to attend the International Congress of Orientalists which will be held at Algiers next April. He will represent the Government of India.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

Mr. D. M. Scoble, Executive Engineer, Burma, is permitted to retire from the service of Government.

Mr. Holgan, Superintending Engineer, is appointed Engineer-in-Chief of the Nagda-Muttra Railway.

Mr. R. Wright, District Locomotive Superintendent, Oudh and Rohilkhand Railway, is permitted to resign the service of Government and Mr. Burton, Assistant Locomotive Superintendent, is transferred to the Oudh and Rohilkhand Railway.

PASSENGERS PER S. S. IMPERATRIX.

THE Austrian Lloyd's s. s. Imperatrix left Aden on the night of the 14th instant, and is due here on the 20th instant, at daybreak. She brings the following passengers :—

Mr. Anastasiadis, Mr. Ardeshir Vakil, Mr. Belford, Mrs. Barr, Mr. Bradale, Mr. Bamjee, Mr. Cavratti, Miss Coleman, Mr. Detzner, Mr. Eddelbuttel, Mr. Exner, Mr. Fairdt, Revd. M. Froberg, Mr. Grimm, Mr. Gill, Col. and Mrs. Hamilton, Mr. Heitmann, Miss Harting, Miss Halzerinton, Mr. G. Herbst, Mr. Kharas, Mrs. T. Kaundinga and family, Mr. Lalkaka, Mrs. L. Markwick, Mr. Minck, Mr. G. Passeri, Mr. and Mrs. Puschmann, Miss Puschmann, Mr. and Mrs. Rosenthal Mrs. Robertson and family, Mr. Skoda, Mr. and Mrs. Skoda, Mr. Sohany and family, Mr. Swan, Miss Steiner, Mr. Seitz, Mr. Wolpert, Miss Wittenberg, Mr. B. M. Wilson, Mrs. Whitell, and Col. Wilson.

THE GOVERNOR'S TOUR.

ARRIVAL IN KARACHI.

REPLY TO MUNICIPAL ADDRESS.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

KARACHI, DEC. 15.

Punctually at 4-8 p m. yesterday their Excellencies Lord and Lady Lamington arrived by the special train at the Cantonment station. His Excellency was met here by the Commissioner in Sind who introduced the leading officials and prominent members of the different communities to his Excellency' after which the Guard of Honour of the 129th Baluchi Regiment, with Band and Colors which was drawn up in front of the station received his Excellency with presented arms. H. E the Governor then, accompanied by the Brigadier-General Abbot, inspected the men and complimented them on their smart appearance. After this the party drove off to Government House Road leading from the Railway station to Government House. The route was brightened with flags and bunting planted at regular intervals on either side of the road and two triumphal arches spanned the main entrance and exit to Frere Hall. The grounds on both sides of the road was lined by armed police at intervals of fifty paces.

To-day at 11-30 a. m. H. E. the Governor received addresses from the Karachi Municipality, the Karachi Chamber of Commerce and the Sind Mahomedan Association at the Frere Hall. His Excellency replying to the Municipal address thanked the Municipality for the kind and cordial welcome accorded to him and for having presented the address accompanied by a handsome casket. Lord Lamington said he was glad to learn that the Municipality had no grievances to complain of nor claims to make on the Government. He congratulated them on the success of the sewage farm which was started by Mr. O'Brien and is now supervised by Messrs. Beaumont and Brunton, and suggested its further improvement by the employment of experts to make it more profitable. His Excellency complimented them on their sound financial policy and approved their programme of not launching forward in schemes of doubtful benefit. He congratulated them on the creditable appearance of the zoological garden which he visited with the Judicial Commissioner last evening, and also expressed satisfaction at the proper maintenance of the roads. He hoped circumstances would allow him at a future date to pay Karachi another visit.

THE DISASTER IN GALLE HARBOUR.

THE LOSS OF THE SECUNDRA.

THE British India s. s. "Secundra," Captain Goode while moving out of Galle Harbour, last night, a correspondent telegraphed on the 10th instant, struck a rock within the Bell Buoy, and sank within two minutes. She had the lights to show her course and was in charge of Pilot Cunningham. She had no time to blow a whistle or send off a signal. Information was brought by the pilot's boatman. Fourteen men were missing two of whom have since been found. The cargo consisted of rice for Colombo and citronella oil for New York. The Secundra struck the Makada Rock at the mouth of the harbour The third Officer, Cuthbert, was picked up off Buona Vista this morning. The Chief Officer Henderson, the third Engineer, Maclean, and five men are missing. The crew numbered 110, all told, and included 9 Europeans and 29 men belonging to a shipwrecked crew picked up at Negapatam. Captain Goode was picked up in an exhausted condition. Pilot Cunningham was none the worse for his immersion. The Marine Enquiry takes place at 2 p, m. Two barrels of oil and 2 bags of sundries, were saved by the Police.

The Secundra was one of the ordinary coasting steamers from Calcutta to Bombay, calling at every port en route between the two places. Her commander is Captain C. W. Goode, who has been in her service of the B. I-S. N. Co., for many years. Pilot Cunningham is a married man of about 40 years of age. Before joining the Pilot service he was on the dredger Sir John Coode. About four years ago he was a Colombo pilot, and after serving twelve months there was transferred to Galle, where he has lived ever since. The news of the disaster has naturally caused consternation, says the "Times of Ceylon," in shipping circles. Within the recollection of the present generation the B. I. Company has not had an accident of any serious nature around the coast of Ceylon, let alone in a harbour.

The Secundra was built at Glasgow in 1883 ; so she was not a modern vessel by any means. Her gross tonnage was 2,610 ; the net 1,675. The Secundra was not classified. She had been in the East for years.

WHERE THE DISASTER OCCURRED.

Galle Harbour is notoriously nasty to navigate and is full of submerged rocks, which would all have to be blown up before it could be said that the harbour was perfectly safe for shipping. Although Galle Harbour is roomy as regards area it has a comparatively narrow entrance, which is really marked by two well known rocks Belikatua on the right, as you go in and the Malamada on the left. From both of these rocks towards the land are quantities of broken rock, over which no ship could pass. There are 18 feet of water over the Belikatua rock and six feet only over the Malamada. A little in front of the Belikatua rock is the Polcatts rock, with only three feet of water above it, and further out still we come to the most dangerous of all the Kadda rocks, three huge boulders, submerged only to the extent of 13 feet (an unlucky number by the way). To warn mariners of the rock, there is the bell buoy which mentioned above. This is a buoy about a mile from the moorings. It has a bell fixed inside, which the action of the waves causes to ring without cessation : but we understand that this bell has often proved confusing for the pilot has sometimes asked a ship's officers where they thought the bell, which they could hear ringing, was situated. They would point to all directions except the right one, which showed that the pilot had rather to rely upon his own knowledge of the dangerous entrance rather than trust to the bell. In this connection it is important to make it clear that the Bell Buoy has no light upon it, although any seamen will tell you it should carry a light to prevent accidents ; and perhaps now that such a serious accident has occurred the proper authorities may awake to a sense of their responsibilities. The rocks enumerated above have been prolific of accidents and wrecks during the last century, although no one seems to be able to remember any serious loss of life. The P. & O Rangoon was lost off the Kadda Rocks thirty years ago. The Captain was nowhere to be found and the vessel drifted on the rocks The s.s. British King was wrecked off a reef opposite the Bell Buoy. The Clan MacLean went upon the Malamada Rocks twice ; and the Clan McKay was lost on the Belikatua Rock.

THE ENQUIRY.

THE CAPTAIN AND PILOT EXPLAIN.

At the enquiry held on the 10th instant Captain Goode attributed the accident to an error of judgment by the pilot. All were at their stations and were sober. Pilot attributes the mishap to the extraordinary strength of the current across the harbour.

A PRESS COMMENT.

Finally, for the present generation, has been stamped upon Colombo Harbour, says the "Times of Ceylon" of the 10th instant, for we do not expect Mr. Matthews to be able to convince Sir Henry Blake, or any of his immediate successors, that an inner harbour would be feasible or profitable. Undoubtedly, however, our chief port is destined to be sufficiently overcrowded to necessitate some further move on the part of Government. The alternative is the improvement of Galle Harbour ; and at last a sufficiently-terrible catastrophe has happened to ensure that never again, until some thing has been done, will the claims of the southern port be shelved even if the only step taken, until the Colony has recovered its financial equilibrium, be the lighting of the buoy which the pilot last night believed he had rounded.

NEWS IN ADVANCE OF THE MAIL.

THE GREAT SIEGE.

RUSSIAN GUNS ALMOST SILENT.

London, 27th November.—The "Morning Post" reports that the Russian guns at Port Arthur are almost silent, owing to the scarcity of ammunition since the magazine exploded.

It was officially stated at Tokio on Sunday evening that an assault on the Sung-shu-shan forts, at Port Arthur, began on Saturday, and that the object of the Japanese attack had not yet been accomplished.

London, 28th Nov.—When the Japanese works, preparatory to an attack upon the Sung-shu-shan and other forts, including extensive sapping, were nearly completed, a general assault was determinedly commenced against these defences, and has since been concentrated upon them. The Japanese bombardment has destroyed some permanent defences. The Russians are making a vigorous defence of their temporary earthworks. The Japanese began their assault by scaling the breastworks of Erlungshan, of Shun-shu-shan, and of the northern fort, at East Keekwan-shan.

London, 29th Nov.—The Japanese Government have declined to permit a special steamer to convey medicine and medical appliances to Port Arthur, but if they are necessary are willing to send them themselves.

THE OPERATIONS IN MANCHURIA.

THE RUSSIANS REPULSED.

London, 26th Nov.—General Oku, after some hard fighting south of the Sha Ho, repulsed a Russian attack, and occupied Putuen. The Russian left many of their dead on the field.

Advices from Mukden state that three sotnias (Companies or Squadrons) of frontier guards, with two guns, routed 500 Chunchuses, with six guns, near Khaivian Station. The Chunchuses casualties numbered 200. The Russian losses were few.

London, 28th Nov.—The left wing of the Japanese Army has crossed the Hun Ho, on which Mukden is situated, and is now at Mamachich. The Marquis Oyama reports the repulse of a Russian Cavalry attack at Mamachich, and of Infantry attacks elsewhere. He states that the Russian gun fire proved harmless.

A report from General Kuropatkin, announcing three Japanese reconnaissances in force, including one directed at the Russian centre, is interpreted as possibly, preparatory to a general engagement.

The rival sentinels on the Sha Ho are occasionally within forty yards of each other. Many tragi-comic amenities are reported. The Japanese troops are living in earthen burrows, or cornstalk shelters, and are using charcoal fires.

London, 29th Nov.—General Rennenkamf now occupies a position at Sin-han-chan, near Talni. The Russians, under Rennenkamf, repulsed the Japanese after three days' fighting, but skirmishes continue, and the Japanese siege guns have been placed in a position whence they are calculated to harass the enemy.

Advices from Mukden state that many of General Kuroki's reinforcements are raw recruits, and that the garrisons of Takushan, Feng-huang-Cheng, and Yinkow, and a portion of the garrison at Liaoyang, are being replaced by less efficient troops. It is believed that Japan's main efforts are to be directed against Port Arthur.

THE SITUATION AT VLADIVOSTOK.

ARRIVAL OF 20 STEAMERS.

London, 27th Nov.—A foreign resident of Vladivostok has reached Nagasaki. He reports that twenty steamers arrived at Vladivostok within a month with coal and stores. He also states that a torpedo boat was sunk, and a German steamer was injured, owing to the uncertain location of mines in the harbour.

THE BALTIC FLEET.

The French and Russian newspapers are commenting on an outbreak of good feeling that has manifested itself in Russia towards Great Britain. These friendly demonstrations are consequent upon the courtesies which the British warships offered to the Baltic Fleet in the Suez Canal, and the precautions which were taken by the British and Egyptian authorities to ensure the safe passage of the fleet.

The "Novoe Vremya," states that Admiral Rojestvenski's squadron requires 16,939 tons of coal to steam 1,000 miles at an economical speed, and three-fold that quantity if the ships are required to steam full speed.

Prior to Russia's purchase of the turbine torpedo-boat Caroline and her departure from the Thames, a French-firm had, it is stated, enquired whether the Peruvian gunboat which is nearing completion at Birkenhead was to be purchased. Negotiations were opened, and when the agent arrived he proved to be a Russian, who made overtures to buy one or two swift liners. However, the price asked stopped any transaction. The same agent inspected and made enquiries regarding several warships nearing completion in the Tyne shipbuilding yards, and then proceeded to London.

THE NORTH SEA OUTRAGE.

The "Times" and most of the English newspapers consider the Anglo-Russian Convention thoroughly satisfactory. The "Morning Post," however, considers it a bad precedent and calculated to destroy the deterrent effect of Great Britain's possible action in future cases like the North Sea affair.

Mr. G. W. Smalley, the "Times" correspondent in New York, states that Americans, commenting on the Anglo-Russian Convention, assume the existence of a secret article providing for the punishment of those officers who may be found responsible for the North Sea incident.

DEPARTURE OF THE TRANSPORT ASSAYE.

THE hired transport Assaye, Captain E. R. Dowell sailed yesterday for England with details consisting of 54 officers, 18 ladies, and 12 children, 16 warrant officers, 17 women, and 17 children, 1,260 non-commissioned officers and men, 31 women and 58 children. The following are the names of the officers :—

Col J M Beamish, R A M C
Lt Col R L H rries, R G A
Lt Col D A Mc arlane, K O S B
Lt Col A J Kelly, R E
Lt Col G A Ivatt, Lincoln
Major C B Holmes, R A M C
Major A F Powell, R G A
Major J S Davidson, R A M C
Major A M Kekewich, York and Lanc Regt
Major C A Stone, R A M C
Major R G Vowell, A V D
Major Arnold, Dorsets
Capt C Robertson, R E
Capt T B Sellar K O S B
Capt H A B Ternan, Buffs
Capt F J Byrne, Con Rangers
Capt J A Barnes, I M S
Capt C D Mainprise, R A M C
Capt W Allason, 1st Bedford
Capt O W A Elsner, R A M C
Capt R F Warburton, I A
Capt E M Cauley Povey, Sus Regt
Capt E F Orton, I A
Capt E H Bayford 8th Hus
Capt W Mathews R G A
Lieut W R Ross, 57th Rifles
Lieut E F Villiers Essex Regt
Lieut H L Wood Oxford L I
Lieut C F Knaggs 3rd Horse
Lieut A M Graham, I A
Lieut E R A Hall, Liverpool
Lieut J F Gifford, N Stafford
Lieut A M Swifte, Carabineers
Lieut E W J Waycotte, R F A
Lieut A S Trower, 69 Batty
Lieut J E Woolcombe Devonshire
Lieut M E Roe, 81st Pioneers
Lieut L G Crosthwaite 6th Jats
Lieut J C G Carmichael, R A M C
Lieut C A J Annesley Oxford L I
Lieut F D A Murphy, R F A
Lieut C H Dale, York and Lanc
Lieut T A Walsh, Somersets
Lieut W S Scott, 59th Inf
Lieut A S Trower, 9th Lancers
Lieut Sellington, S and T
2nd Lieut H L Wright King's Liverpool Regt
2nd Lieut G A Clark, Scots' Fus
2nd Lieut C E L Bowen, Queen's R W S Regt
2nd Lieut R V Clerk, Cameronians
2nd Lieut R Barry, 15th Hus
2nd Lieut A W P T Whyte, Con. Rangers
2nd Lieut R G A Kinloch R G A
Engineer Abbott R I M
Lieut Gibson R I M
Wife of Capt H Wake, I A
Wife of Hon Capt A E Hoppenhem

THE Australian papers contain full accounts of a terrible explosion on board the Orizaba causing six deaths. A steam pipe burst and five of the lascar crew were killed instantly. The steamer was delayed for twenty-four hours to enable the repairs to be made.

THE BOMBAY EXHIBITION.

THE RE-OPENING.

THE Industrial and Agricultural Exhibition in connection with the Twentieth Indian National Congress was re-opened yesterday afternoon. The subject of this Exhibition has become the topic of the town, and no wonder that it has, for a visit to the Oval, which has been converted into a veritable little town, will give the visitor an idea of the great strides in progress credited to the Presidency not only in scientific art, but also in the industries of the Presidency. The lapse of four days after the opening ceremony has worked wonders in connection with the arrangements connected with the Exhibition, which are now perfectly complete and unique. During the last two days we dealt considerably with the exhibits, and pior to this we dealt at some length on the general arrangements, so that now it would be invidious to further dwell on these subjects. However, the re-opening yesterday appears to have been anxiously looked forward to, for as soon as the various doors of the Exhibition were swung open a large crowd of visitors passed through the gates into the great enclosure. Between 3 and 4 o'clock there was very little of interests, beyond what we have already described, to be witnessed, but a little after 4 p.m. was to be seen near the Forestry section an instructive illustration of the method of extracting poison from cobras and other venomous reptiles. A professional reptile catcher was employed to show how to arrest the attention of and capture venomous animals, after which the venom was extracted from the snakes brought on the ground for the purpose, Dealing with matters of scientific interest the visitor first comes to the Health Section where, Corporal J. Scott of the Royal Scots explains to the visitors the various processes in the manufacture of anti-plague vaccine (Haffkine's Plague Prophylactic) beginning with sowing the flasks, and then going on with testing the purity, killing the plague germs and carbolizing the vaccine, decanting the vaccine into bottles, testing the sterility of the bottled vaccine, sealing the bottles for despatch, and keeping a sample for record and finally packing and despatching. It was originally arranged that Colonel W. B. Bannerman, I.M.S., M.D., B.Sc., would give a series of lectures on this subject commencing from last night, but this has been deferred till Monday, between 5 and 6 p.m.

Owing to incompleteness of the electric plant, on Saturday last, the public were not afforded the felicity of realizing the brilliancy of the show, but last night the ground presented a sight never witnessed before in Bombay. The turret of the entrance was dotted at close intervals with electric fairy spouts, while the interior was ablaze not only inside the stalls, but in every available part of the enclosure. The Art and Industrial, the Agricultural, the forestry, jewellery, and in fact every stall was crowded from an early hour, while the Ladies' Section which attracted very great attention was particularly well patronized. In every section was to be seen illustrations of work done in the Presidency, notably in the magnificent Bombay School of Art structure.

Barring the Water Chute, which will not be open to the Public till this evening, all the other amusements were lavishly availed of including the motor ride, the rickshaw ride, the bicycle Merry-go-Round, the Maze, the Laughing Gallery, &c. &c., and last but not least, the Cafe Chantant which has been organized by Messrs Seymour Dove and Company.

The Band of the B. B. & C. I. Railway Volunteers enlivened the evening's proceedings, which ran into the late hours of last night. The Exhibition will be opened daily from 3 to 11 p. m. including Sundays.

THE BOMBAY SERVICES.

The Honourable Mr. Basil Scott, B.A. (Oxon), Barrister-at-Law, Advocate General, Bombay, is allowed furlough for seven months with effect from the 31st December or subsequently.

Mr. E. B. Raikes, Barrister-at-Law, is appointed to act as Advocate General, Bombay, during the absence on leave of the Honourable Mr. Basil Scott, B.A. (Oxon.), Barrister-at-Law, or pending further orders.

Mr. A. S. A. Westropp, I. C. S., has been allowed two months' furlough in continuation of the leave granted to him in a Notification, dated the 4th September 1903.

Mr. C. H. Longley, Third Grade Assistant Superintendent of Police, has been allowed an extension of furlough for one month.

Mr. C. W. Chitty, B.A. (Cantab.), Barrister-at-Law, Chief Judge of the Court of Small Causes, Bombay, is granted with effect from the 23rd January 1905, or subsequently such privilege leave as may be due to him on full pay in combination with furlough to bring the combined period of absence up to ten months and twenty days.

Mr. F. C. O. Beaman, I. C. S., is appointed Judicial Commissioner and Judge of the Sadar Court in Sind vice Mr. G. Jacob, I. C. S., retired.

Mr. R. Knight, I. C. S., is appointed First Grade Judge.

Mr. R. S. Tipnis, B.A., LL.B., becomes Second Grade Judge.

Mr. B. C. H. Calcraft-Kennedy, I. C. S. is appointed Third Grade Judge.

Mr. C. G. H. Fawcett, I. C. S. is appointed Remembrancer of Legal Affairs and First Grade Judge vice the Honourable Mr. G. C. Whitworth, I. C. S., retired.

Mr. F X DeSouza, M A, LL D (Cantab.) Barrister-at-Law I C S is appointed Third Grade Judge.

Mr. C. G. H. Fawcett, I. C. S., Remembrancer of Legal Affairs, is granted privilege leave for two months and fifteen days with effect from the 4th January 1905, with permission to prefix the Christmas holidays to his leave.

Miss A E Brooke is appointed Lady Superintendent, Mahalaxmi Female Training College, Ahmedabad, vice Mrs. F. L. McAfee retiring.

His Excellency the Governor in Council has been pleased to re-appoint the Revd. D. Mackichan, M.A., D.D., LL.D., to be Vice-Chancellor of the Bombay University, with effect from the 10th inst.

Mr. B. P. Milsom, Executive Engineer, 1st Grade State Railways, whose services have been lent to the Government of Bombay, is granted, with the consent of the Government of India, privilege leave for three months, combined with furlough for 21 months, with effect from the 23rd January 1905, or subsequently with permission to retire at the end of the combined leave.

Mr. J. S. Brown, Superintending Engineer, 2nd Class State Railways, officiates as Secretary to Government, Public Works Department (Railway), during the absence on leave of Mr. G. A. Anderson, or until further orders.

A PSALM OF STRIFE.

(*Written by a non-dancing husband in Bombay, to his wife.*)

Tell me not in joyful numbers
"Dancing is a joy supreme";
When it keeps me from my slumbers
Things are not quite what they seem.

You may like to dance and ramble—
What about your husband, who,
Doomed to Billiards, bar, or gamble,
Has to stay and see it through?

India's hot : The Club's expensive,
And my purse, though stout and brave
In appearance, makes me pensive,
How the d—l *can* I save?

How am I to work to-morrow?
How provide the bread and cheese?
My poor heart is full of sorrow
After several nights like these.

Aching head, and shaking fingers.
Tired brain, and nerve-wrung start!
Surely *some* compassion lingers
Round your erstwhile tender heart!

Give up Dancing, how'er pleasant,
Let the Yacht Club cease to thrill,
Just remember for the present—
I'm your Jack and you're my Jill!

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EUROPEAN NOTES.

America in the Sorbonne.

AFFAIRS IN SERVIA.

KING EDWARD AND KING PETER.

PARIS, Nov. 25.

Twenty minutes past four o'clock—half an hour and ten minutes before the advertised time—a large crowd stand patiently before the closed door of the Salle Turgot, in the Sorbonne. Presently a beadle appears on the scene. Why don't they open, he was asked. "Why," how could he tell. Fresh arrivals by the dozen, also besieging the Salle Turgot. Each man or woman, baggy trouserved student, young lady, goes straight for the beadle. The beadle grows impatient, grows hot and flushed, grows desperate. He waves his arms. "See the notice at the end of the passage." They see it, and come back in a rush. They surrounded the beadle. A mistake? Mon Dieu, how can he tell? It may be a mistake of the journalists—"ces journalistes execrables"—who, if they know how to read, have not taken the trouble to read the notice, and so have deceived the public. Still they come! Why is not the door ——?" Mon Dieu"—and the beadle seeks refuge in flight. How simple it would have been to have put up a notice on the door of the Turgot Hall itself. In London the papers would next morning have been filled with indignant letters. But from the good-natured, patient, philosophic Parisian public, not a word of complaint.

Saturday, at half-past four, larger crowds than before. In a few minutes the Turgot Hall is filled to overflowing. Fifteen minutes later an attendant, mounting the rostrum, calmly announces that the American Professor is not going to speak here, but in the Amphitheatre Richelieu. A rush, a race for the Amphitheatre Richelieu—to the numerous doors thereof. They stumble against each other up the steps, or down them for the Amphitheatre Richelieu is pitch dark. However the moment the electric lights shine through the glazed dome, the Amphitheatre is seen to be closely, but not too uncomfortably, packed. A buzz of satisfaction—and of something like mutual admiration. A burst of applause when Professor Barrett Wendell, of Harvard University, U.S., accompanied by the American Ambassador and members of the University, appears on the platform. For Mr. Barrett Wendell is the first foreign Professor whom the Sorbonne has invited to lecture within its own walls not in French, but in his own language. "We open our doors to the students of all nations," says M. Croisset, Doyen of the Faculty of Letters, speaking in French. "But Professor Wendell is our first foreign lecturer. Twice a week for the next five months he will lecture to us in English After which he will make a tour among our provincial Universities." And he then explains the origin of this new departure in the history of the illustrious Sorbonne, and expresses the hope that the innovation may strengthen the entente between France and America, and even help the fraternising process now observable between the world's leading nations. The first essential, M. Croisset remarks, is that the nations understand each other, and so Professor Wendell has chosen as the subject of his lectures, American Character, and the Origin and Development of the American Nation, as Shown in American Literature. The new lectureship in the Sorbonne is the latest development of the Hyde Foundation. If the experiment succeeds—as Saturday's inauguration indicates that it will, brilliantly too—the lectureship will be made permanent.

It is nearly ten years since Mr. James Hyde, a distinguished student of Harvard, bethought him of accomplishing for his fellow-countrymen what he now hopes—with the assistance of the Sorbonne to achieve for France. In Harvard he founded a Chair the occupants of which should be Frenchmen lecturing in their own language. Among the distinguished French scholars and men of letters who have crossed the Atlantic to deliver their five or six months' course of lectures are M.M. Brunetiere, Doumic, Edouard Rod, Mabilleau, Anatole Leroy-Beaulieu, Brentano, and Rene Millet. The principal American colleges Yale, Chicago, Hertford, Baltimore, Washington, Princeton, Providence, San Francisco, and several others have followed the example of Harvard. To introduce the corresponding movement in France, Professor Barrett Wendell has received from the head of Harvard University a year's leave of absence.

Mr. Wendell took his Parisian audience captive at the start. Love Paris, know and appreciate the French language and literature, attach prime importance to the intellectual side of things, to ideas, and you can do any thing with your intelligent, amiable Parisian. So there was a burst of applause when Mr. Wendell began by saying that if there was in the world a spot where a teacher, a man of letters, should feel proud to stand, it was the very spot from which he was addressing his audience. For was not the University of Paris the mother of Universities, the fountain head of European—and, therefore, of American—culture? I fancy some learned Britisher may ask Mr. Wendell where Charlemagne got his first teachers from. Harvard, the oldest American University, founded in 1642, might trace her origin to Oxford and Cambridge. But where did Oxford and Cambridge spring from? Was it not from Paris, the illuminating centre of mediaeval Europe? More applauses, repeated and repeated, not boisterously, but in decorously enthusiastic Parisian style, when Mr. Barrett Wendell went on to say that a "native American" felt more at home in France than in England, in Paris than in London. The "native American cannot help feeling so : there are historical reasons which necessarily determine his choice. The choice is not a matter of social fashion ; it has its roots in the past, in the character and the origin of the 'native American.' To the 'native American' the Englishman is a foreigner."

His treatment of this point occupied nearly the whole of Mr. Barrett Wendell's inaugural address. A most interesting argument it was. By native Americans the speaker meant the descendants of the early and earlier settlers of Virginia and New England. The early settlers—of mature age in the early years of the seventeenth century—were, in reality, sixteenth century Englishmen. They were Elizabethans. They saw, or could have seen, Shakespeare hundreds of times. And only think what it meant to be an Elizabethan! It meant being gifted with the buoyancy, the ardour, the infinite hopefulness, the adventurous spirit, the curiosity in the unknown, the courage, the simplicity—in the fine sense—of youth. This characteristic of the Elizabethan age the "native Americans" have retained, said the lecturer, throughout their three centuries of history. The polyglot, polyethnic inrush from Europe has not swamped this original element in the American people. On the contrary, this element acts like a powerful solvent upon the immigration, absorbing it, assimilating it through the organs of English literature, English speech, and institutions. It is the primitive, the Elizabethan characteristic, inherited by the native American—his hospitality to ideas, his love of ideas for their own sake, his passion for universal education, his intellectual courage and curiosity—which make the native American feel more at home in France than in England. Revolutionary sympathies and alliances count for much. But the cause of the camaraderie lies deeper. Such as the doctrine of Professor Barrett Wendell.

The Belgrade Press is jubilant over King Edward's gracious reply to the telegram which King Peter sent to the English monarch on his birthday. The reappointment of a Minister in Belgrade, says a semi-official journal, is now but a question of weeks. Mr. Sveta Simitch, Servia's representative in Sofia, has invited the Servian Consuls in Macedonia to meet him in Belgrade, at a conference similar to that recently held in Sofia by the Bulgarian Consuls, and at which Mr. Simitch was allowed to assist. The advisability and possibility of united action in Macedonia, will be discussed, and it is hoped that a uniform line of conduct will be agreed upon. Immediately on his arrival in Belgrade, with the object of opening this conference. Mr. Simitch was driven to the palace, where he lunched with the King. after an audience of two hours duration. The news that the Tsar has conferred the Order of St, Andrew on Baron Kalitsh, the Austrian Ambassador at Constantinople. while, the Russian. Ambassador has been decorated by the Emperor Franz Joseph, bids fair a counterbalance the disturbing effect of Servia's present coquetting with Bulgaria and the announcement that the three Balkan rulers of Slav lands will meet at Nish early in the spring. The Austro-Russian agreement is evidently as solid as ever, and the consequent maintenance of the status quo—minus further projects of illusory reform in Macedonia—is thereby guaranteed. The Austrian Society of the Red Cross has just allotted a sum of £4,000 for the benefit of the Russian and Japanese wounded. Albert Yikha, a wealthy Albanian patriot, has started on a tour through Europe in order to arouse the interest of the European nations in the question of Albanian autonomy. He is himself a scion of the Albanian dynast which once ruled the Principality of Romania. The revolt of the Turkish garrison in Scutari has been quelled by drastic measures after terrible scenes of bloodshed.

The opening of the Parliamentary Sessions at Belgrade was attended by the foreign representatives in full uniform with all Orders and decorations. The King, in his obligatory speech, reminded the Deputies that this is a jubilee year, the centenary of the first revolt against the Turks which was inspired and led by his grandfather, the heroic Kara George; that his coronation was attended by the delegates of the foreign Powers, by a Special Envoy on the part of his father-in-law the Prince of Montenegro, and a Special Mission on the part of the Prince of Bulgaria; that the nation has welcomed these events with enthusiasm; and that the relations of Servia with all Powers are correct, while with the States they are cordial. While commenting on the improvement of the finances, the speech ended with an allusion to the inevitable loan for army purposes. The Tsar has presented the Montenegrins with 40,000 rifles and revolvers and several hundred chests of ammunition, together with a few mountain guns. The gift will arrive at Cettinje in a few days. The knowledge that Bulgaria has given an order for four batteries to the foundries at Creusot is likely to influence the Opposition in the Servian Parliament and the Government expects but little difficulty in carrying the proposed loan, which is estimated at £1,000,000 by some and at £1,500,000 by others. The loan will be raised in France through the intervention of M. Durremberger, of the Ottoman Bank, and it is reported that the French Government will give facilities for its negotiation as soon as it is made clear that the guns for the purchase of which it is intended will be ordered at Creusot.

The Pope, unlike most affectionate brothers was not able to personally select the apartment for his sisters when they settled in Rome; and, consequently (as the Romans says), not being done personally, it was not done properly, and the good ladies did not find themselves very comfortable. They have now made the great change, packed their household goods, and are already almost settled in another home, nearer the Vatican. This time the rooms are well chosen, being on the second floor, out of the dust and noise, with south windows, which is absolutely necessary, as they only use the Italian stove (the sun) for heating, while other windows look directly into those of the Holy Father. From their apartment they are so near that they can see him if he goes to the window of his bedroom, and they can even make signs. This, for the Signorine Sarto, is a consolation which an outsider cannot appreciate. Signorna Maria—who is the most loquacious of the three—said, in speaking to a friend. "I feel almost as though I were really with my brother, and I can even forget that if I really wanted to go to him I would have to pass the gauntlet of all those dreadful guards." The Vatican guards are the terror of the three ladies. They have become accustomed to the grandeur of the Apostolic Palace, the state with which the Pontiff is surrounded, the want of privacy, and the infrequency of their talks with him, but of the gorgeous Swiss and Noble Guards they are still in awe, and avoid them when possible.

THE LATE NAWAB OF DIR.

The Nawab of Dir, whose death was reported last week, had a career which was typical of the tormy life that was the rule across the North-West Frontier before British influence was extended beyond the Malakand. As simple Khan of Dir he had a dangerous rival years ago in Umra Khan of Jhandoul, a Chief whose ambition was unbounded and who aspired to found something like a kingdom between Cashmir and Kafiristan. Umra Khan's success was remarkable. In the early 90's he had the whole of Bajour in his hands and had seized Dir, the Khan seeking safety in flight. Then he annexed a part of Lower Swat and laid claim to Asmar, which was nominally Afghan territory. His levies came into collision with the Amir's troops, and it seemed as if the latter would not be able to hold their own. The Durand Mission in 1893 had the effect of checking him, and he then turned his attention to Chitral. This brought about his downfall, as the Expidition of 1895 resulted in the dispersal of his forces. The Khan of Dir, a refugee in Swat, watched the progress of his rival, and when the British troops advanced beyond Chakdarrah he joined them and made a bid once more for his Khanate. By rendering good service to Sir Robert Low he came to be regarded as a useful local ally and no objection was taken to his return to Dir. His subjects were content to receive him, and after Umra Khan's flight to Kabul he established himself firmly in power. He was wise enough to see that loyalty to the British Government would best serve his purpose, and in the frontier risings of 1897 he remained staunch. This was a severe test as the more fanatical of the Dir tribesmen joined promptly in the seige of Chakdarrah. The road to Chitral was closed, and our garrison there, was placed in a hazardous position, as the defection of Dir might have led to grave complications further to the north. With the appearance on the scene of Sir Bindon Blood's Division and its march through Bajour to the Mohmand country, the Khan's anxiety passed away. He had the satisfaction of proving to his subjects that his policy of abstention from throwing in his lot with the Mad Mullah had been a wise one. His reward came later, when the Government of India made him a Nawab and assured him of their continued protection. In the last two or three years the Nawab had more than once tried to extend his authority over northern Swat, and he had to be warned against aggression of this kind. The quarrels between his two sons also gave trouble to the Political authorities, but various critical periods were tided over, though not without some bloodshed. As we stated last week, the younger son was safely interned in Kohistan a short time ago, and the elder son has now the opportunity of succeeding without having to fight his brother. It is to be hoped that everything will go smoothly, though one can never confidently predict the course of events in the Frontier hinterland.—"Pioneer."

THE INDORE POST OFFICE.

An Indore correspondent writes:—I regret to inform you that the Postal authorities are making this city Post Office a "no delivery office" without consulting the public. The inhabitants submitted applications and sent wires to the Deputy Post Master General and Director of Post Offices, But no reply was received, alas! I bring this to your kind notice and wish you to draw the kind Postal authorities' attention, Please do this favour to the inhabitants of this city.

BEAUTY AND HYGIENE.

For health beauty and luxury, use the "Albion Milk and Sulphur Soap," which lady Constance Howard writes is "pleasant to use and whitens and softens the skin." Also Testimonials from Countess Bathurst, Lady White, Viscountess Exmouth Lady Dorothy Nevill and many others. Delicately perfumed. Warning—When buying the Albion Milk and Sulphur Soap, see that the name and figure head of "Albion" are on the wrapper. Sold by all Chemists, Grocers &c.

CATHEDRAL HIGH SCHOOLS.

DISTRIBUTION OF PRIZES.

The annual distribution of prizes to the successful boys and girls of the Cathedral High Schools took place at the Town Hall, last evening. The Hon. Mr. S. W. Edgerley, C. I. E., presided and Mrs. Glazebrook distributed the prizes. There was a large attendance of ladies and gentlemen, amongst those present being: the Venerable Archdeacon Scott, Mr. G. O. W. Dunn, the Rev. F. N. Hill, the Rev. H. Foote and Mr. R. S. Brown,

THE REPORT.

The annual report, which was taken as read, stated:—

The report on the Boys' School stated the number on the rolls was 127. This slight decrease since last year is due to the diminution of admissions in the two lowest classes. The other classes maintain their numbers. A noticeable increase has taken place during the last few years in the number of boys who go to England to finish their education and to compete for the public services. The school was inspected in November by Mr. Pendarves Lory, Educational Inspector N. D. He reported well of the Latin, French, copy writing, geography, composition and general English; the parsing of one class and the drawing generally he thought needed improvement. Mr. Lory writes:—"Under the able management of Mr. Savage, the prestige of this excellent institution is well maintained. I was exceedingly well pleased with the results of my inspection. The quality of the work is good and the teaching throughout the school intelligent. The children are mostly bright and answer to the point. Their general discipline and bearing under examination leave nothing to be desired." Three boys passed the Matriculation examination, all taking high places in the general list. One boy Charles Shephard was presented for the Indian Subordinate Medical Entrance Examination. He passed first on the list of competitors. One boy. Rupert Perry was presented for the Preparatory Examination in music and passed. Of the 'Old Boys' we note the success of John McDonald, who passed the triple medical qualification in London, and of Eric McDonald who passed the Second Examination for medicine in the 1st class. Constancio Coutinho also passed the Bachelor of Science Examination and the 1st Examination in Medicine. Benjamin and Wadia passed the 1st Intermediate Examination in Arts; Rodrigo Pedraza, who gained a scholarship at Blundell's, Tiverton, passed the London Matriculation in the 1st class. In sports and volunteering, though the school has not done so well as in former years, it has fairly maintained its position. In the Bombay High Schools Athletic Association's Tournament, it won the Aga Khan Junior Hockey Cup for the fourth year in succession. For the Tata Athletic Challenge Shield, it took second place after holding the shield for three years. In the Gymkhana sports one prize was won. It also took second place in the Volunteer Team Shooting for cadets. The Cathedral clergy give religious instruction four days in the week to the elder children, and their respective teachers to the younger children. Thanks are due to Mr. Faulkener for so kindly giving the Singing Prizes and to Mr. Lazarus for the Latin Prize and the Monitor's Prize in his class.

The following is the report on the Girls' School the number on the roll is 111. Two girls, Annie Sequeira and Louise Bayley passed the Matriculation Examination last year. Olive Netscher gained a Senior Scholarship and Mozelle Perry, a Junior Scholarship in the Government Examination last September. Olive Netscher was first on the list. The following pupils passed the Trinity College Examination in Music and Singing:—Dorothy Vining, Senior, Singing honours, Nellie Wilson, Senior Playing; Hannah Perry. Intermediate Playing; Rachel Perry, Intermediate Playing; Miss Mildred Mallandaine, Junior Playing honours; Marguerite Stephens, Junior Playing honours; Birdie Smith, Junior Playing; Perin Naoroji, Junior Playing; Kate Harwood, Preparatory Playing; Tamena Davar Preparatoy Playing; Amy Rustomji, Preparatoy Playing. Out of the eleven presentations there was no failure. Another former pupil of the School and of Mr. Faulkener, Violet Merrett, obtained the highest number of marks in the district of Folkestone, in the Intermediate Examination in singing of Trinity College, Miss Meher A. D. Naoroji, a former pupil has passed the Second Examination in Medicine at Edinburgh. The School was examined in Religious knowledge by the Rev. F. N. Hill and the Rev. H. Foote, on November 21st 22nd and 23rd. Miss Ashworth Inspectress of Girls' Schools inspected the School on September 12th. She says:—"Taking the School as a whole a high standard is aimed at and there is a remarkable absence of untidy or careless work. The discipline and general tone are excellent; the work of inspecting the School is particularly pleasurable owing to the methodical working and excellent organization." Mrs Payne kindly examined the needlework, She writes:—"The work shewn was in many cases very fine: the teaching had evidently been very good and the children on the whole attentive and painstaking. It was a great pleasure to see this beautiful work." Thanks are due to Miss Robb, the Misses Stephens, Mr. Faulkener and Mr Wagle for so kindly presenting prizes.

The children then went through a programme of vocal and instrumental music. Mrs. Glazebrook having distributed the prizes.

CHAIRMAN'S ADDRESS.

The Hon. Mr. Edgerley addressed the meeting He said after the termination of the very interesting programme, what he had to do was to convey to the strenuous workers in this institution an expression of that cordial sympathy, that appreciation, and that sense of obligation which all those present must feel towards those who maintained in efficiency and usefulness the Bombay Cathedral High Schools. It was a somewhat common observation that they lived in a period of transition. He thought this always did: but the remark was very true at the present moment with regard to European Schools in this country. In September 1903 speaking at the Bishop's School at Simla, his Excellency, the Viceroy said that of the various aspects of education, the Government of India had examined and analysed for the past five years. none had demanded a more exhaustive research or had excited a warm sympathy from Government than the instruction and up-bringing of the European and Eurasian children in India. His Excellency went on to add that Government would be hypocritical if it hesitated, to translate that sentiment into action. His Excellency next gave a sketch of certain reforms which it was proposed to suggest to the authorities in India and probably to carry them out. That was a pledge, which he (Mr. Edgerley) thought, they might be well assured and not likely long to lie fallow; and as a matter of fact one of the reforms suggested in the speech was so far as this Presidency was concerned an accomplished fact. It was in respect of the appointment of a special Inspector, whose time would be given to the schools of this class. That would be a great gain, because besides bringing Government in close touch with these schools, it might, in respect of some of them, promote a great deal of enthusiasm. It would be difficult to put greater enthusiasm in these particular schools, but with respect to some of them, he thought they would strengthen their cases, when their requirements were properly marshalled before the authorities by an officer of special experience. Some time ago the executive of these schools requested Government for help to improve the teaching powers of the schools by an aid to the endowmet fund It was not possible to grant that, but he thought they might hope that the same results would very likely follow, if the efficiency and usefulness of this particular institution were maintained. So long as Mr. Savage was in charge of the institution, there was a sufficient guarantee for its efficiency and ussfulness. Nearly a quarter of a century had passed since he (Mr. Edgerley) knew Mr. Savage, who was then in a smaller school of a smaller town; but now he had won a reputation for thoroughness and efficiency in a great city like Bombay (Applause); and they all knew that his assistants in both the departments of the school were animated by the same spirit. In Mr. Giles' opinion it was a flourishing institution and in both its departments efficiency and teaching was a conspicuous feature. They might congratulate all those connected with the schools on the results of the year's work and the reputation they had achieved. He (Mr. Edgerley) then referred to the work done by Mr. Savage as Honorary Secretary to the Bombay High Schools Athletic Association. They all knew that it was owing to his tactful labour that the Association flourished as it did and continued to promote a healthy spirit of rivalry among the high schools of this city. In conclusion he thanked all those who had given prizes for the children and also the Rev. J. N. Hill, whose interest in the school was well known. He wished the children a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year (Applause).

The proceedings terminated with a hearty vote of thanks to the Chairman and Mrs. Glazebrook.

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CLAIM FOR MANCHESTER GOODS.

SUIT IN THE HIGH COURT.

The Hon. Mr. Justice Russell, at the High Court yesterday, heard the suit brought by Heyn Franc and Co. against D B Lam and Co, in which the plaintiffs claimed to recover the sum of Rs 2,444-8-9 with interest from the date of the filing of the plaint, and costs. Mr Kirkpatrick and Mr Strangman, instructed by Messrs Smetham, Byrne and Noble, appeared for the plaintiffs; and the Hon Mr Scott, Mr Inverarity and Mr Lowndes instructed by Messrs Payne and Co, appeared for the defendants.

The plaintiff in this case is Mr Henry Franc of Mancheser trading under the name or style of Heyn and Co at Manchester and sued by his duly constituted attorney Dinanath Dewoolker, of Bombay; while the defendants are Dadabhoy Bapujee Lam, Sorabjee Dadabhoy Lam and Pheroze Dadabhoy Lam carrying on business in co-partnership under the name or style of D B Lam and Co. By a code telegram of the 18th December 1900 and an indent of 22nd December 1900, the defendants ordered from the plaintiffs 30 cases each containing 150 pieces white nainsooks of the dimension, quality and description and upon the terms specified in the indent, at the price of 2s 6d per piece, 15 cases to be shipped in March 1901 and 15 cases three or four weeks after. The goods were purchased by the plaintiffs on account of the defendants. By a code telegram dated 9th February 1901, the plaintiffs informed the defendants that the shipment of the 30 cases would be late and requested the defendants to wire immediately if they desired to cancel the indent, and stated that, in default of a reply, they would understand that the defendants would accept shipment of April and May instead of March and April. The defendants sent no telegram in reply; and the plaintiffs, on the expiration of three days from the 9th February 1901, concluded that the defendants were willing to accept the extended shipment of April and May; and accordingly upon the faith of the defendants' silence, arranged for the completion and their shipment as of April and May. The defendants, by their letter of 9th March 1901, for the first time, informed the plaintiffs that the dealer, at whose request the defendants had entered into the indent, did not consent to the extended shipment. Plaintiffs contended that the defendants, by their conduct, agreed or must be taken to have agreed to accept April and May shipment instead of March and April shipment. Plaintiffs said they would, if necessary, rely, upon the course and nature of previous dealings between them as well as upon the terms of the defendants' letter of the 11th January 1896, in support of their contention. The goods were duly shipped in April and May and arrived in Bombay and Karachi, but the defendants refused to take delivery thereof. Plaintiffs on the 11th March 1902 caused the goods to be sold on account and at the risk of the defendants by public auction, whereat they realised Rs. 6,741-0-4 net. Plaintiffs called upon the defendants to pay them the sum of Rs. 2,278-4-8, being the balance due from the defendants, but the latter had not paid the amount. The sum of Rs. 2,444-8-9 was now due to the plaintiffs, for which the suit was brought.

The defendants, in their written statement, said they are commission agents, and obtain orders from native merchants for piecegoods, and forward orders to Manchester for execution. They deal as principals with the native marchants. As they have no firm in England, the plaintiffs acted as middlemen between the defendants and the manufacturers in England in order to get the orders sent by the defendants executed. The latter had an agency at Amritsar, which obtained orders from native merchants there, and forwarded them to the defendants in Bombay, who employed the plaintiffs as their agents on certain terms. Plaintiffs were well aware that a number of the orders which the defendants had to execute were orders from Amritsar. On the 18th December 1900, the defendants sent to the plaintiffs a telegram, requesting them to buy 30 cases of white nainsooks at 2s. 3d. per piece, 15 cases to be shipped in March and 15 cases in April. They admitted that the business was regulated by the conditions contained in two letters produced in the case. They did not admit that the goods were duly purchased by the plaintiffs on account of the defendants, and the plaintiffs well knew that the goods were indented for on account of dealers at Amritsar. On the receipt of the plaintiffs' telegram, it was not possible for the defendants to reply as requested therein, as the time was much too short, nor were they bound to do so in any case. They had to communicate with the dealer at Amritsar, and did so; and by the first mail after they received the Amritsar dealer's reply, they wrote to the plaintiffs the letter dated 9th March 1901. If the plaintiffs concluded as they stated, they were not justified in coming to any such conclusion, and the defendants said they were not bound thereby; and they denied that the plaintiffs could impose on them any liability by reason of their not replying to the telegram received by them on the 10th February 1901. If the plaintiffs, on the faith of the defendants' silence arranged as alleged by them, the defendants were under no liability to the plaintiffs by reason thereof. Defendants denied that the goods were duly shipped in April and May. The cases were shipped in driblets, and not in one shipment in each month; and in any event, defendants said they were not liable to the plaintiffs. Defendants said they believed the plaintiffs did not, on receipt of the orders, enter into bona fide contracts with the manufacturers. They accepted the orders on their own account; and if cotton went down, they executed the orders; and if cotton went up, pleaded impossibility of shipment in proper time, and tried to get extension of time with the object of getting goods cheaper. Defendants claimed from plaintiffs full discovery of the contracts and all documents connected therewith, and said they would contest the claim of the plaintiffs on the ground that the goods shipped were not goods bought on their account at all.

The hearing of evidence in the case was proceeded with.

THE LORD REAY MILLS, LD.

The Hon'ble Mr. C. H. Setalwad and Mr. Lallubhai Raichand, present trustees appointed under the Indenture of trust issued by the Lord Reay Manufacturing Co., Ld., in pursuance of the powers vested in them caused the mills at Fergusson Road, Parel, to be put up for auction, yesterday afternoon, by Messrs. Sorabjee Cowasjee and Co., auctioneers, the Hon'ble Mr. H. S. Dikshit of Messrs. Dikshit, Dhanjisha and Soonderdas, attorneys to the trustees being present at the sale. Bidding commenced with the sum of Rs. 2,00,000. In the course of the evening the bids rose up gradually by advances of Rs. 10,000 till the highest bid came to Rs. 4,90,000 offered by Mr. Ruttansha Dadabhoy of Messrs. Sorabjee Shapurjee and Co. Amongst the bidders were Messrs Rustomjee N. B Jeejeebhoy, Mansookbhai Bhagoobhai, Feroz R. Sethna, Sorabjee Cursetjee Seth. Ratanshah Dadabhoy, and Bhimrao Atmaram. As the highest bid was far from the reserved price it was decided that the sale should be postponed till a day to be fixed hereafter.

H. M.'S HYACINTH.

PRESENTATIONS FOR GALLANTRY.

The day before H. M.'s Hyacinth arrived in the Hughli, a pleasing ceremony took place on the quarter deck, when Gunnery Instructor Murphy was presented with the Conspicuous Service Medal for gallantry at Illig, on the North-East Coast of Africa. The Admiral made a short speech, and Mrs. Atkinson Willes pinned the medal on to Murphy's breast. Another ceremony was performed on the day of the arrival of the Hyacinth at Calcutta, when Rear Admiral Atkinson Wiles presented the Distinguished Service Order Medal and warrant to Captain the Hon. Horace L. A. Hood amidst cheers from the ships company. This presentation was also made for gallantry at Illig. The particular act which has earned these decorations occurred while the Hyacinth was taking part in the storming of Illig fort. It appears that a number of Bluejackets, who had been wounded, were lying a short distance from a cave and, despite the Red Cross, two Somalis concealed in the cave opened fire on the wounded. Coptain Hood, with Gunnery Instructor Murphy, Midshipman Onslow and a marine, pluckily charged the position and killed the Somalis, thus saving the lives of a number of their helpless comrades.

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HIGH COURT.—Dec. 16.

Before the Hon'ble the Chief Justice and the Hon'ble Mr. Justice Batchelor.

1313—Malvi H and M—N C Macleod vs Haridas Ramdas and others—Little and Co and D D Romer and M H M.
1366—Payne and Co—Halimabai widow vs Jamboobai widow—Mulla and M.
1368—Jehangir and S—Shivji Ruttonsey vs Gomatai Unvalla and P.

Before the Hon'ble Mr. Justice B Tyabji

Suits for hearing and final disposal.

Commercial Cause.

758-04—Captain and V Chapsey Purbat and others vs Messrs Gill and Co—Wadia and Co—Part heard.
539-04—Mull and M—Haji Noormahomed Cassum Mitha vs Jugmohundas V Bhaisett and others Payne and Co—Edgelow G and W (Party declared)

Long Causes.

134-04—Kanga and G—Velji Hariram and another vs Visam Raisey and another—S B Noble and Khunderao S and L
17-04—Matubhoy J and M—Mohomedbhai Hassambhoy vs Peerbhoy Cassumbhoy—M B Chathia
114-02—Matubhoy J and M—Sonbai widow vs Bharmal Khimji and others—Pestonji B and K
535-24—Matubhoy J and M—Ruttonqai widow vs Vithuldas Canji and others—Cragie L and C—Little and Co
112-01—M B Chothia—Framroze Jamshed Aga vs Runchordas Tribhowandas Mody—Payne and Co—For postponement
377-04—Mulla and M—Rahimtulla Hassan vs Memon Ahmed Moja Hasu Maja—Kanga and P
537-04—In person a pauper—PanCeorang Dhondoo Cudoo vs Damodhur Nutnoo Cudoo and others—Dephtary and F
421101—R P Mehta Hiraji Dayaji Mahntre vs Gomiba widow and others—Cattnis and M
662-01—Smetham B and N—Shamoo Kbae vs Balaram Sudkoji Bole and others—In person Jamsetji and R
670-04—Smetham B and N—Shamrao Bhai vs Balaram Sudkaji and others—J and R and In person.

Before the Hon'ble Mr. Justice Russell,

For Consent Decree.

278-03—Khunderao and Co—Haji Saboo Sedeck and others vs Mahomed Cassum Mirad and another—Payne and Co.

Suits for hearing and final disposal.

Long Causes

78-03—Smetham B and N—Heyn Franc vs Dadabhoy Bapuj Lam and others—Payne and Co

Short Causes.

643-01—Little and Co—Narayen Kissondas and others vs Suntreappa Valad Revsidappa—Smetham B and N

Long Causes.

486-01—Matubhai J and M—Ramji Bhawan and others vs Murarji Mohunji Tyabji and Co—Part heard.

For further directions and Costs on Commissioners report.

303-32—Ardeshir H D and Co—Jamsetji Nusservanji Tata vs Runchordas Girdhuidas and others—Pestonji R and K.

Long Causes.

479-04—Sorabji and J—Vincent A S Pereira vs Jooquim V Fernandes and others—Daphtary and F—Part herd. For postponment
123-05—Bhaishunkor K and G—Chimanlal Nagindas vs Gordeundal Radhakisson and another—Ardeser H D and Co—B K and G and E G and W
481-94—Matubhoy J and M—Kurseadas Vusonji and another vs Wallabhdas Premji and another—Mulla and M—Hiralal and D
50-34—Captain and V—Zynabhi widow vs Goolam Nabi Oomerali and others—T P Pavri
242-04—Mulla and M—Anandebai widow vs Daud Ladha and another—Thukurdas and Co
349-04—Sorabji and J—Goolam Hossein Isaji vs Nurbhai Ismailji—K and J Bilimoria
520-04—Payne and Co Mahomedally Abdul Hoosen vs Lalj Dewji and another—Mulla and Co.
570-01—Edgelow G and W—Soonderdas Kersondas Vallabhdas vs Jethalal Premanandas and another—Daphtary and F
623-01—Ardeser H D and Co—Gopikabai widew vs Luximon Nanna Patel—Daphtary and Co
387-04—Chitnis and M—Dalubhichand Motilal and another vs Shridhar Shrikrishna Kotnvale and others—Edgelow G and W

Before the Hon'ble Mr Justice Chandavarkar,

Suits for hearing and final disposal.

Long Causes.

505-04—Jehangir and S—Ramabai widow vs Ramchunder Vithul Shringarpure—Khunderao and S L—Part heard
278-01—K and D Shroff—Dhunjeebhoy Merwanjee Shroff vs Nusserwanjee Cursetjee Sukhia—Craigie L and O—Part heard.
267-03—Ardesir H D and Co—Haji Abdul Rahman Shirazi vs Hajibibi widow and others—Captain and V
384-00—Captain and V—Fakirchand and others vs Doolub Govindjee and others—Madhowjee V
117-04—Bhaishunker K and G—The Advocate-General of Bombay vs Bai Sudha Alias Moghibai—Madhevji and V
103-04—Bicknell M and M—Dinshaw M Puntheckey and another vs Khatri Salemahomed Jaffer Rungun—Little and Co
465-04—Payne and Co—Vulli Mahomed Hassum vs Vussomji V Vellji and Co—Madhowji and V
20-01—Payne and Co—Shamjee Kandojee vs M Chimnaji Sadashiv and other—F P—Pavri and Maganial J and G
136-03—M and B—Chothia Vajibai widow vs—Soonabai widow—Payne and Co
74-04—Tyabji and Co—Maneckbai widow vs Bai Amrat widow and others—Edgelow G and W.
255-01—Pestonji R and K—Hirjibhoy Maneckji Sethna vs Dataram Ramkrishna Koregaoker and others—Mulla and M.
618-01—Captain and V—Rabiabai vs Rahimabai widow Nadirshaw and F
265-01—Daphtary and F—Tokersey Shamji and others vs The Lord Reay Mills Company Limited and others—Matoobhoy J and M and D D S.

BOMBAY VOLUNTEER ARTILLERY.

CARBINE CLUB.

The following are the 6 best scores in the 13th and 14th Spoon Competition fired for at Santa Cruz on the 11th December 1904:—

Rank and Names.	Rangs scrs. Proper	Handicap.	Total. scr.
	200 yds.		
Gr W Lazelle	32	...	32 a
Lt R W R Pennington	32	—1	31 b
S I H Solley	31	—1	30
Sergt H E Bryning	30	—1	29
Sergt P Hunter	29	+3	32 c
Gr O M P Clyne	28	—1	21
	300 yds.		
Gr O M P Clyne	27	—4	23
S I H Solley	24	—1	23
Sergt H E Bryning	24	—1	23
Gr W Lazelle	24	...	24 c
Gr E J Pedder	24	+3	27 a
Gr N George	22	+4	26 b

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HERE, THERE, AND EVERYWHERE.

A recent New York paper describes how a policeman raided a Jewish prayer meeting at Chrystie-street in that city. It was very late at night, and as he walked his beat he heard strange sounds issuing from a certain house. He listened to these sounds, and gradually became convinced that a very active game of poker was in progress. He called up the district detectives, who also listened. They too were certain that it was a gambling-house, for they vowed they recognised the click of chips and the calling of the players. They therefore raided the plce, or, to use their own expressive speach, "they pulled the joint, and trunned them down for fair." They found—so they described it—twelve gibbering, gesticulating men within, eight of whom managed to escape, while four were "held." The police declared they found evidence of gambling in "a set of dice and 22 cents." The landlord next day explained that six months before his father had died, and the Jewish religion compelled him to call his relatives together to say "Kaddish" for his soul every night for a year. They were saying "Kaddish," or prayers for the dead when the officers broke in. The detectives said that the prayers sounded very like "Ante up" and "I win" and "Come seven, come eleven," but the judge dismissed the prisoners, with a hint to the detectives to study Yiddish.

The monks of St. Bernard, writes a correspondent, have just had a delightful surprise in the form of a new piano, the gift of the King of England. When King Edward (then Prince of Wales) visited the Hospice in 1858, accompanied by General Codrington, he presented the monks with a piano, which has stood ever since in the salon protected by a neat cover, embroidered with the motto "Fideliter, Fortiter, Feliciter." It recently came to the knowledge of King Edward that the piano he had presented was much the worse for wear. He therefore gave directions to his representative in Switzerland, Sir Cunyngham Greene, to see that the old piano was replaced by a new one, made specially strong to withstand the great changes of temperature which are inevitable at a height of over 8,000 feet. The piano arrived a short time ago, at the House of St. Bernard at Martigny and, inspite of the snow, it was at once despatched to the Hospice, where (so writes one of the brothers): "Il est parvenu gaillardement et a ete recutriomphalement." The piano has been placed in the salon on the very spot occupied since 1858 by its predecessor, and the monks have already intimated the pleasure it will afford them to place the instrument at the disposal of the English tourists who visit the Hospice in great numbers during the summer months.

We have it on the authority of a German newspaper that one, at least, of the staff of the Russian Censorship is eager to do his duty by the State. A Russian gentleman who was recently in Berlin on business determined to send his wife a cookery-book as an earnest of his affection and, it may be, a grateful evidence of favours to come. The cookery book, which of course was in German, duly arrived at the Censor's office, in order that it might be certified as fit and proper reading for a loyal Russian subject. Turning over the leaves, what was that sensitive official's horror to come upon a whole chapter which its own heading confessed to be devoted to "Auflauf." "Auflauf" denotes, as he well knew, a rising tumult, or public disorder. Quickly he reached for his blacking-out apparatus and when the bowdlerised cookery-book reached its destination the whole of the chapter that had been devoted to "puff paste" had vanished beneath the ink. Once again the Empire was saved,

Recent disparaging comments upon the Baltimore fire are supplemented by a correspondent, who points out that no particularly original contrivances were hit upon by the inhabitants. They appear to have tried a little dynamiting—for which they are very contemptuously treated by some of the experts who afterwards drew up reports: and the fire itself is honourably mentioned as having, by a minor fire sent on ahead (by means of burning logs from an explosion), taken the food from its own mouth and died of innutrition. But the only really telling device planned by the men of Baltimore themselves was that of the owners and employes of L L. Jackson Co.'s wholesale dry goods house, who pumped water into the sprinkler supply tank above the roof until it overflowed, and by plugging up the roof drain pipes forced the water to run over the cornice in the form of a water curtain. But this is, as our correspondent points out, and everyday idea compared, say, with the stratagem of the men of Santa Cruz, who some years ago are said to have met a forest fire with 40,000 gallons of Californian claret, or with the valiance of a body of policemen who in February, 1900, succeeded in snowballing out a small fire at Lynn, however, it must be said in defence of Baltimore that it was barred from such ingenuities by a full supply of water. Indeed, its reservoirs are said to have gained in contents during that week of fire, and fire-extinction and broken pipes.

Apropos of fires, the Katikiro of Uganda has something to say of the Manchester treatment of them in his recently translated account of his visit to England two years ago. Or rather it is the Katikiro's secretary that wrote the diary, but the impressions we may take it, are the impressions of the Katikiro. The fire was not a part of the Manchester programme, but a real fire. In his comments upon it the Katikiro seems a little embarrassed between candour and politeness. "We saw a great many other things on this day," he says "and saw a shop being burned; it was a fine shop, and goods to the value of about seven hundred thousand rupees (nearly £50,000) were destroyed. We saw how they fight with fire; they have a steam engine which goes to help and pumps up water to a great height where the fire is; the water comes out with great force—perhaps if they were to turn it on the people it would kill them. The English, however, are very much afraid to go close to a fire—their cleverness makes them appear to be afraid of it, because they stand a long way off to put it out: but when they are teaching the Baganda I see that they are not at all afraid of it—I am constantly seeing how little afraid of it they are. The Katikiro is apt in this way to use a rather generalising vocabulary. For instance, at the Town Hall ("a very fine building" "we saw . . . a great many statues of their judges, who in English are called 'Lord Maya.'"

LASCAR FIGHT AT ROYAL ALBERT DOCKS.

TWENTY MEN INJURED.

It has transpired, that a serious fight took place between Lascars at the Royal Albert Docks, late on Saturday night, Nov. 19th. A quarrel arose between a number of Lascars of the steamship Palma, from Bombay, and another party of Lascars from Calcutta. About fifty men were present, and all joined in the fight. Stones, sticks, and in some cases bars of iron were used as weapons. For half an hour the assailants kept up the conflict, when the Dock police, reinforced, gained the control. Twenty of the men were injured, four very seriously. These latter were conveyed to the local hospital. One was declared to be in a critical condition. A number of arrests have been made.

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FLEETING impressions (writes "A Society Butterfly") should be noted while still in remembrance Agnew's collection of twenty masterpieces, now on view in Bond Street, suggests many useful ideas on the art of dress. An eye that can see will not fail to notice the soft, becoming colours that appear in the dresses and draperies of a dead and gone eighteenth century. And it is worthy of note that none of the fair women portrayed wore powder, although the fashion had not yet passed away, as it did when Mr. Pitt imposed the powder tax in 1795. Romney is well represented, and there is a charming picture of Lady Hamilton as "Mirth." "The divine lady"—as the artist styled his enchantress—is represented as dancing, draped in a loose garment of a dull red colour, which harmonised well with her rosy cheeks, rose-bud mouth, and brightly burnished red-brown hair.

This portrait of a famous beauty suggests the possibilities of red or rose-colour, even when worn by a woman with Titiantinted hair, and a deep-hued, brilliant complexion. By-the-way, a modern instance of the same success was afforded at a recent fancy ball by Lady Anglesey, who appeared as "Flaming June" in a flame-coloured gown, and her aureole of red-gold hair wreathed with a garland of dark red roses. Sir Joshua Reynolds was another artist who liked his sitters to wear red or crimson. His portrait of "Mary Isabella Duchess of Rutland," shows a fair woman wearing the Coronation robes of crimson and ermine, with which we have now become so familiar.

Hoppner's picture of "The Countess of Darnley and her Daughter" proves how becoming a rich brown can be when contrasted with the clear complexion, dark eyes, and soft brown hair of a native born Englishwoman. An up-to-date example of the beauties of brown is often supplied by Lady Angela Forbes, who only the other day looked charming in a brown frock, a brown hat, with touches of pink, and some fine Russian sables. The portrait of "Lady Elizabeth Compton" by Sir Joshua Reynolds, makes a charming study of youthful beauty. The lady wears a soft, cream-coloured gown, edged with dull golden embroideries—a far more subtle harmony than the dead white and glittering gold that we know too well in 1904. Round her neck is a rather thick gold chain with a pendent that looks like a large amethyst—the sort of ornament that commends itself to modern women, who are artists rather than fashion-plates Gainsborough's picture of "The Duchess of Gloucester" is the clou of the exhibition, and shows a beautiful woman in a dusky green dress with trimmings and adornments in other subdued colourings. Somehow, this painting reminds one of the soft, old-fashioned tints favoured by Lady Granby and the Duchess of Sutherland. Romney's picture of "Lady Milnes" proves that the painter could for once discard his favourite white and represent his sitter in the silk robe of a greyish-brown colour. The necessary note of relief is given by the white muslin sleeves, and by white feathers in the big black hat. The portrait of "Lady Caroline Wrottesley" charms the eye; it has not the usual rosy face of Hoppner's paintings, but shows a pale lady, gowned in white, with soft, fair hair, and a sash and kerchief of a silvery blue-grey colouring.

Hints on children's dress are often to be found at picture exhibitions. Hoppner's "Three Children of Lord and Lady Cavendish," shows a pretty little girl, with rosy cheeks, wearing a white muslin frock, with a pink sash, and a white frilled cap, trimmed with pink ribbons. And Sir Joshua Reynolds' Master William Cavendish depicts a bright, dark-haired boy, playing with a small dog, in a yellowish muslin frock, a peacock blue sash, and bright red shoes. A twist of the same blue ribbon is around the dogs throat.

The Duchess of Buckingham has returned to London. She was Miss Alice Graham Montgomery, and is sister to Sir Basil Montgomery, of Stobo Castle. Her first husband was the late and last Duke of Buckingham and Chandos, who was many years older than herself, and who died after four years of married life. Her widowhood extended over some time, during which she travelled much, wrote a book on her experiences, and was responsible for the invention of the useful term "duchessy." In 1894 she became the wife of Lord Egerton of Tatton, who was made an earl at the time of the Diamond Jubilee. The Duchess is a tall, fair, handsome woman, with goodness and amiability written on every line of her countenance. She gives dinners, and sometimes a Primrose League party at her house in St. James' Square, and when she goes to Court appears under her legal title of Countess of Egerton.

Princess Lowenstein-Wertheim has returned to London. She was Miss Anne Savile, and is half-sister to the present Lord Mexborough. In 1894 she became the wife of a German Serene Highness, a member of one of the mediatised families, but owing to her own high rank, the marriage met with the approval of the German Emperor. The lady, however, became a widow in 1899. Princess Lowenstein is a young and pretty woman, small, fair, and rather shy with a soft voice and a gentle manner. Music is one of her greatest interests; she sings well, and accompanies herself on the piano or the guitar. Both she and her sister, Lady Mary Harris, inherited many fine jewels from their mother, who was a very wealthy woman, and Princess Lowenstein often appears wearing some choice pearls or some beautiful rubies and diamonds. Like most of the Savile family, she is a Roman Catholic.

Catherine Duchess of Westminster has returned to Combermere Abbey. She was Miss Catherine Cavendish, and is a sister of Lord Chesham. By-the-way, the manner in which the stately name of Catherine is spelt goes far to identify its owner's nationality. In England it begins with a "C;" in Scotland with a "K;" and in Ireland the "K" is also used, or the name is changed into the softer cognomen of Kathleen. Catherine Duchess—as she is called by her friends—married the late Duke of Westminster, as his second wife in 1882. Theirs was a union of May and December, but, as often happens proved one of perfect happiness. The Duchess is a still young-looking woman, with a fair, fresh-coloured face, bright-grey eyes, and soft, nut-brown hair. She is well-read and musical, sings, paints, and has much agreeable conversation. Her younger daughter, Lady Helen Grosvenor, is now sixteen years old.

Lady Katherine Coke has returned to London. She was Lady Katherine Egerton, daughter of a former Lord Wilton—in fact, of that famous peer who was the husband of Issabella Lady Wilton, and had been known to his contemporaries as. "The Wicked Earl." Many years ago she married Mr. Henry Coke, a brother of Lord Leicester. Lady Katherine has lived her life in the atmosphere of Royalty. She was lady-in-waiting to the Duchess of Teck, and afterwards an extra lady-in-waiting to the Princess of Wales; and although now not often on duty, she still retains the esteem and affection of many members of the Royal Family. Lady Katherine was sister to the late Lord Wilton—known for so many years as "Sim Egerton"—and, like her brother, was always devoted to music, accompanying him on the piano, in the days when he ranked as the best violin player in smart Society. Long before her marriage, Lady "Katty" Egerton was a great favourite with the Duchess of Teck, who, as Princess Mary of Cambridge, often stayed at Heaton, with Lord and Lady Wilton. In these days she lives in London, and is one of the well-known women who keep parlourmaids.

Lady Constance Gore has returned to London. She was Lady Costance Milles, and is a sister to Lord Sondes. Her marriage took place nearly twenty years ago, but she is still smart and pretty, and far too young-looking to be the mother of a "debutante" daughter. Lady Constance is fair and small, with a bright face and much amusing conversation. She is one of the Society women who remain faithful to Church Parade in Hyde Park, and who are among the regular frequenters of Newmarket. Her husband has a country place near Cardiff, and served with the Rough Riders in South Africa.

Lady Molesworth is now staying at her house in Great Cumberland Palace. She was Miss Jane Frost, of the United States, and her marriage took place in 1875—indeed, she was one of the first of the long line of charming Americans who during the last thirty years have made their home in our midst. Lady Molesworth has a striking personality. She reads a great deal, is interested in politics, and has opinions of her own on every subject under the sun. She has travelled a great deal, knows men and cities and is more or less of a cosmopolitan. When in London she gives some dinners, and of late has acted as chaperon to her motherless niece, the daughter of her sister, the late Mrs. Philip Beresford-Hope. Lady Molesworth is a good-looking woman, with grey eyes bright brown hair and the usual smart appearance of a well-dressed American.

COLONISTS in London have been chatting over that portion of Lord Rosebery's speech at Oxford in which he claimed to have discovered the toast of "The Empire." An impression prevails that the toast is a good deal older than the date at which Lord Rosebery discovered it. Some old Imperialists remember its being in use as far back as the early sixties, when Lord Rosebery was a schoolboy. At the inaugural banquet of the Royal Colonial Institute thirty-six years ago the toast of "The Colonial Empire" was proposed by the Marquis of Normanby and acknowledged by Earl Granville, the then Secretary of State for the Colonies. For many years the toast of "The United Empire" has been honoured at the Institute dinners.

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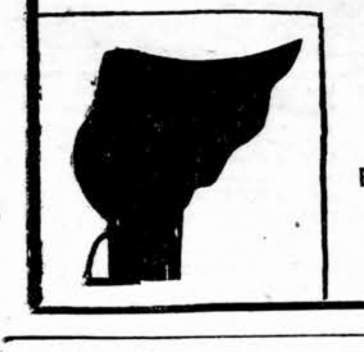

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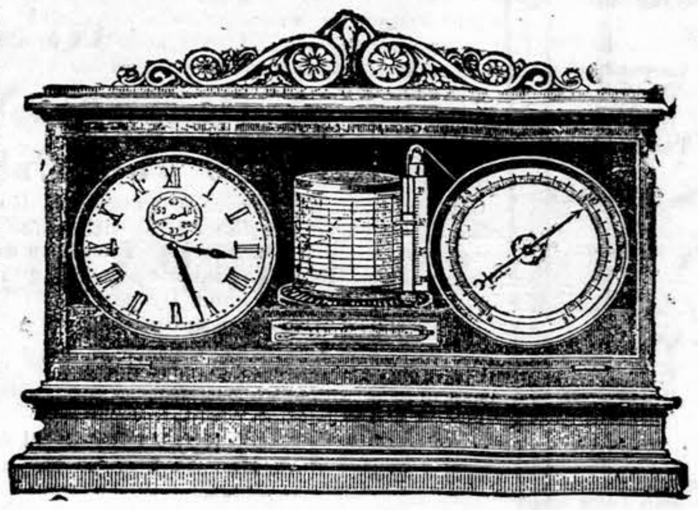

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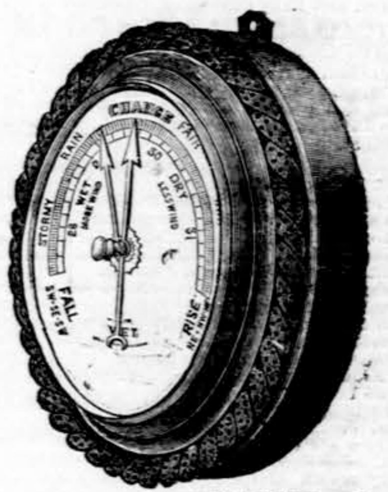

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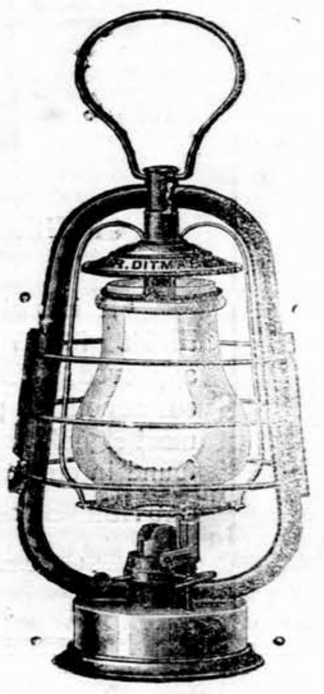

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